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## R. WILSON IS ELECTED BY BIG PLURALITY

### Was a Regular Landslide to The Democratic Camp.

### SEVELT SECOND IN THE RACE.

son and Marshall Will Have 387 otes in Electoral College; Roose-elt, 29, and Taft, 12, With More romised to Wilson and Roosevelt Pennsylvania Goes to Roosevelt nd Washington Party Ticket Elect-d.

ilson and Marshall, the Democra-candidates for President and Vice sident swept the country East, t and South, carrying 36 or more he 48 states in the union.

he Republican forces were divided veen the regular Republican nom-s and the Progressives and al-gh Roosevelt drew to some extent the Democratic party, Wilson an easy victory.

is vote in the electoral college be upwards of 390 while Roose-will have about 100 and Taft is tted with 12 votes in that body.

hat the Democratic party would trol the United States Senate be-almost a certainty late Wednes-night when only the possible loss West Virginia seemed to stand in way of success. Returns up to Thursday night gave the Democrats following Republican strong-ls:

wo in Colorado, where John F. roth (D.) for the full term and S. Thomas (D.) for the short term, be elected by a Democratic legis-re. One in Montana where Re-licans and Progressives conceded election to T. Y. Welsh (D.). One Kansas where W. R. Stubbs (R.) eeded the election of his opponent, liam H. Thompson (D.). One in aware, a Democrat legislature as-ing the return of a Democrat to ceed Richardson (R.), retired. One New Jersey where William Hughes will succeed Briggs (R.).

he uncertainty as to West Virgin-indicated in earlier reports seemed arently the only obstacle to a nocratic majority. Definite returns still lacking from Oregon, Wyom-Tennessee, New Hampshire, Illi-, Iowa and South Dakota. Late ires from Nevada indicate that man (D.) is leading and is proba-elected.

New York, Nov. 6.—Only the un-ainty of a few close states whose ctoral vote in no way can affect election of Wilson and Marshall; culation over the popular vote of three presidential candidates and complexion of legislatures that ll name United States senators held terest last night in final returns of sterday's general election.

The total of the Republican elec-al column apparently was fixed at 12 votes of Idaho, Utah and Ver-nt; but the footing of the Wilson d Roosevelt columns flickered al-mately during the afternoon and ght, as late returns from Iowa, Kan-, Minnesota, South Dakota and Wy-ing gave indications of change om the results accepted last night.

On the basis of the latest returns rly in the evening, with the vote of va, Kansas, Minnesota, South Da-ta and Wyoming placed in the oubtful" column, President-elect lson had 387 certain votes in the ctoral college; Colonel Roosevelt, and President Taft, 12. All of the ubtful states except South Dakota ring the night landing in the Wil-n list of electoral votes; while uth Dakota's returns showed a gen-al trend toward a Roosevelt plu-ity.

A by-phase of the general election at became known today was the cess of woman's suffrage in four the five states where constitutional endments were submitted to the ople. The victory of the women s complete in Kansas, Arizona and chigan; late returns from Oregon dicated they had succeeded there o; while from Wisconsin came re-ns showing the decisive defeat of equal suffrage proposal.

Philadelphia, Pa., Nov. 6.—Returns n more than five sixths of all the ction districts in Pennsylvania Theodore Roosevelt 28,073 plur-y over Woodrow Wilson. The sing districts are expected to htly increase his plurality. The vote of the three leading candidate as computed from the returns received was:

Roosevelt 284,854; Wilson 356,311; Taft, 255,381.

President Taft carried Philadel-phia by 10,573 over Colonel Roosevelt but in the state outside of Philadel-phia Woodrow Wilson ran second and Mr. Taft was more than 100,000 be-hind the president-elect. The Social-ist vote showed a large increase, but the approximate figures were not ob-tainable because many of the coun-ties had not completed the count of Tuesday's vote.

Robert K. Young, the Republican candidate for state treasurer, and A. W. Powell, Republican candidate for Auditor General was elected as were also the four Republican candidates for congressmen-at-large.

H. H. REDFIELD
Assemblyman Elect
Smethport, Pa.

### YOUNG LADY ASSAULTED

#### Attack Made on Miss May Craft at Emporium Sunday Evening

Emporium, Nov. 4.—Emporium resi-dents were wrought up to a high de-gree of excitement last night and there was plenty of lynch talk, fol-lowing an attempted assault upon Miss May Craft, a well-known young woman of this place, as she was on her way to church. The assailant, whose name is said to be Morse and whose home is in Renovo, is in jail.

The girl works at the American house, and about 8:20 last evening left the hotel and started for the church to attend the last part of the service. As she reached the Inde-pendent printing office Morse jumped from out from the alley dragging her into the shadow, choked her and plac-ing a gag in her mouth attempted to assault her. Miss Craft fought silent-ly and desperately for several min-utes, and finally, after she was almost unconscious, escaped her assailant's hold, and getting her mouth free screamed loudly.

Men from all sides came running to her aid and Morse jumped and fled about 15 men following him. He dash-ed into the railroad yards and was al-most to Emporium Junction when William Auchu caught and grappled with him. Morse broke free and in a short fight got away and ran away. He was finally cornered under a freight car and dragged out, and beat-en by the crowd but without any great injury.

Sheriff Frank Judd and Chief of Police Muncy hurried to the scene and brought Morse to the Cameron county jail, where he was placed. A large crowd followed, shouting and threatening to lynch the prisoner, but made no effort at violence. Sheriff Judd put on extra guard for the night, however, to protect the prisoner in case of an outbreak.

Miss Craft is not seriously injured, although her throat is very sore from the choking received.

### Card of Thanks

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Evans and family wish to thank the people of Smethport and Keating township who rendered their family so many kind-nesses and donated so liberally in re-storing their financial loss in the fire which destroyed their home and in which their son, Earl, lost his life.


### WANTED

A man to represent the Singer Sew-ing Machine Co., in the towns of Smethport, Eldred, Port Allegany and Norwich. Apply to Singer Sewing Machine Co., Daniel Bacon, manager, Du Bois, Pa. tf-Adv.

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### BOROUGH COUCIL MEET

#### Meeting Held Monday Evening and Routine Business Transacted

The regular November meeting of the borough council was held in the parlors of the home house on Monday evening, and was called to order by President J. C. Backus at 8:10. The members present were: Backus, Brennan, Daly, Denning, Engstrom, Roymer and Irons.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved as read.

The following bills were read:

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| Frank McCarthy, police duty | $60.00 |
| Daly & Gorlick, paint, etc., | 1.80 |
| Harold McCarthy, extra police duty | 2.00 |
| C. Larson, team work | 6.75 |
| Sam Towner team work | 1.00 |
| Jones & Sasse, team work | 2.25 |
| Sam Raymer, team work | 4.00 |
| Jake McBride, labor on street | 4.00 |
| John Crumsie, street com. | 60.00 |
| Chas. M. Provin, blacksmithing. | 1.60 |
| Chas. W. Masser, shovel | .65 |
| T. F. Hurgiville, I. beams | 30.00 |
| Chas. McVean draying & freight | 1.54 |
| C. M. Colegrove, surveying | 8.50 |
| V. B. Bouton, retainer | 12.50 |
| Penn Metal Culvert Co. culverts | 7.66 |
| County Treasurer, taxes on Brewer lot | 1.55 |

Moved by Irons, and seconded by Daly that bills be paid as read. Car-ried.

It was moved by Irons and seconded by Engstrom that we pay Smethport Hose Co. $150 in lieux of the $300 yearly appropriation, the borough having already paid more than $200 for the erection of the bell and tower and on account of the bad financial condition of the borough, the council feeling that said borough could not afford to pay the full amount of the erection of bell and tower and give the full $300 appropriation. Carried.

Moved by Brennan and seconded by Irons that complaint of Mrs. Mary Bissett in regard to being unable to locate sewer on Main street on ac-count of there being no maps setting it forth and none of the council be-ing able to locate it for her, that her claim for damages be postponed until next meeting, pending advice from the borough attorney regarding what right the council has in this matter. Carried.

Moved by Irons and seconded by Brennan that it is the general opin-ion of the council that according to the Dog License ordinance, F. Chad-wick and E. Lamb are just as liable for tax on the dogs they own as any-one who has paid tax and that the Chief Burgess is hereby instructed to proceed to collect the tax. Carried.

Moved by Engstrom and seconded by Denning that the borough council hire Mr. Dill to make plans for a cess-pool sewage disposal plant at a cost not to exceed $50.00. Carried.

Moved by Raymer and seconded by Irons that our attorney be instructed to request the State Board of Health to hurry permit for Brennan's and jail sewers. Carried.

Street commissioner Cramsie re-ported $1.00 received from Max Schor-lar to release impounded cow.

Moved by Daly and seconded by Raymer that treasurer be authorized to take $75.82 from the general fund to pay sewer bond. Carried.

Moved by Raymer and seconded by Brennan that bill of Mrs. Armstrong for repairs to sidewalk on Mechanic street be laid on the table. Carried.

The meeting adjourned at 11.40.

### A STATEMENT

#### Colonel Roosevelt Tells About The Election Results

Oyster Bay, N. Y., Nov. 5.—Shortly before midnight Colonel Theodore Roosevelt made the following state-ment:

"The American people by a great plurality, have decided in favor of Mr. Wilson and the Democratic party. Like all good citizens, I accept the result with entire good humor and contentment. As for the Progressive cause, I can only repeat what I have already so many times said; the fate of the leader for the time is of little consequence, but the cause itself must in the end triumph for its tri-umph is essential to the well being of the American people.

"Theodore Roosevelt."

About the same time he issued this statement Colonel Roosevelt sent the following telegram to Governor Wil-son:

"The American people by a great plurality have conferred upon you the highest honor in their gift. I con-gratulate you thereon.

"Theodore Roosevelt."

## INTERESTING TEACHERS' INSTITUTE.

### Large Number of Teachers Are in Town This Week.

### VERY ABLE CORPS OF INSTRUCTORS

#### The Evening Entertainments Are Highly Entertaining and Instruc-tive—Directors' Meeting Held Yes-terday—Clarion Teachers' Banquet.

The teachers of McKean County met in the first session of their an-nual Institute at Smethport at 1:30 p. m. on Monday, Nov. 4th.

Devotional exercises were conduct-ed by the Rev. Elmer S. Beacom, of the Smethport Methodist Episcopal church.

Dr. J. W. Yoder, of Juniata College, Huntingdon, Pa., led in singing with Miss Leona Hogarth, presiding at the piano.

Dr. Yoder is a prime favorite with the teachers of McKean county hav-ing served as Instructor in Music at the Institute last year. His work this year will be helpful and pleasing to the teachers, and he is using his own book of choice selections of bright new school music.

Dr. F. H. Green, of West Chester State Normal School was the first regular Instructor. He spoke on the subject of Interrogation Points.

"The Interrogation Point is the sym-bol for the inquiring spirit, without which there can be no progress, and by which every great achieve-ment and every advancement in every realm of knowledge and experience has been made possible.

Dr. Green declared that the larger we are in our inquisitiveness, the greater we become in intelligence. Dead men ask no questions, live men do; and they try to answer them.

Dr. Green suggested four questions which each teacher should ask and thoughtfully answer, viz., Why this gathering? Am I fit for my job? Am I a worker? Am I agreeable to live with?

His talk was full of apt quotations and pertinent illustrations.

Dr. H. R. Pattengill, ex-State Supt. of the Schools of Michigan, gave an excellent address on attention. The ability to arouse, hold, and use the at-tentive faculty is the greatest single attribute of the successful teacher.

The one safe, sure, serviceable, at-tainable quality is that of attention; it will grow in the poorest soil, and in its own due time will bring forth both flowers and fruit. The ability to give close and consecutive atten-tion is, in itself, a practical education.

There is no work, occupation, or calling in life that is not benefited by the development of the attentive fac-ulties. It is the basis of character building. The habit of inattention and the incapacity to think closely and consecutively are the chief ele-ments of a character, infirm of pur-pose and as unstable as water.

#### Monday Evening

A large audience greeted John F. Chambers in Lyceum Hall on Monday evening. Mr. Chambers in his read-ing, A Grand Army Man, gave excel-lent satisfaction.

The audience was also favored with a recital by Miss Irma Wells, also so-los by Miss Wells and by Mr. Yoder.

#### Tuesday Morning

The Rev. Wm. Van Dyke, of the Smethport Episcopal church, conduct-ed the devotional exercises on Tues-day morning.

After instruction in music by Prof Yoder, Miss Jones of the Clarion State Normal school gave an excellent demonstration lesson in language work using a class of boys and girls from the Smethport school.

Dr. Green gave his lecture on the Ten Commandments for the Reader. Teachers must be readers and make readers. The commandments are as follows:

1. Take time to read.
2. Read authors, not merely about them.
3. Read the great writers mainly.
4. Select their masterpieces.
5. Pick out as your circumstances demand.
6. Choose the cheerful.
7. Saturate your soul with song—poetry.
8. Let the imagination play.
9. Glance at the mechanism.
10. Grasp firmly the thought of the book.

At this time the annual business meeting of the McKean County Teach-ers' Association. Pres. Stanley Bright presided and the following business was transacted.

Reading of the minutes of previous meeting.

Report of Sec-Treasurer. The re-port showed a balance of $27.57 in the treasury.

The election of officers resulted in the election of Dr. D. W. Morrison as President, and Miss Henrietta Filer as Sec-Treasurer. Mr. Baldwin of Kane and Mr. Berkenstock, of Port Allegany, were elected Auditors.

Following this a straw vote for Pres-ident of the United States was taken which resulted in the following score: Wilson 147, Roosevelt 106, Chafin 9, Taft 8, Debs 1.

The remainder of the morning ses-sion was used by Dr. Green in a most interesting talk on Oxford Universities and her literary men.

#### Tuesday Afternoon

Dr. Pattengill gave a helpful talk on The Big Four. The four big factors of the successful teache rare: Knowl-edge of the What, Knowledge of How, Gumption and Gimp.

Miss Irma Wells was introduced and recited for the teachers. She was heartily encored.

Dr. Geo. B. Singer, principal of the Lock Haven State Normal School, was a visitor at the institute this afternoon and briefly addressed the teachers.

#### Clarionites Reunion

On Tuesday evening the graduates and Students of the Clarion State Normal School who are teaching in McKean county held their annual Re-union and Banquet in the Parish House of the Episcopal church.

From 5:30 to 8:00 p. m. the Clar-ionites held jollification and greeted the present principal of Clarion Nor-mal, Dr. Shaffer who with Miss Jones of the Normal faculty, was present. Dr. D. W. Morrison, president of the meeting kept everything moving and at the appointed time led the way to the banquet room where a fine spread was served under the direction of one of the societies of the church.

After the banquet brief addresses full of good cheer were made by Dr. Shafer, Miss Jones, Dr. Green, Dr. Pattengill, Prof. Yoder and others. During the evening officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows: President, Miss Martha Neill; Secre-tary, Miss Lillilan Del Pierre.

#### Tuesday Evening

The entertainment on Tuesday eve-ning by The Weatherwax Bros. Quar-tet was one that pleased every mem-ber of the audience. Their singing was fine and their selections adopted to the requirements of a mixed audi-ence. Their instrumental work with the English trumpet was especially pleasing. Two of the brothers recit-ed, using selections ranging in senti-ment from the ridiculous to the sub-lime. Altogether the program was a good one both in arrangement and execution.

#### Wednesday Morning

The Rev. Dugan, of the Smethport Roman Catholic church conducted the devotional exercises on Wednesday morning, and gave an interesting talk on development.

Dr. Pattengill occupied the first pe-riod continuing his talk on "The Big Four"— Knowledge of the What, Knowledge of the How, Gumption and Gimp.

Dr. Pattengill in this period espec-ially emphasized the value of the quality to which he applies the home-ly name of gumption. Gumption is capacity for breadth of thought, ca-pacity for solid thinking, capacity for shrewdness, alertness in thinking.

The fourth quality emphasized by the speaker is Gimp. By Gimp is meant spirit, zeal, enthusiasm for work. It is the quality without which even the best preparation, the best professional training, the greatest tact and gumption will bring only par-tial success.

The second period was used by Miss Jones with a demonstration in number work using a class of second year pupils from the Smethport schools. Miss Jones show-ed the importance of drill on the combinations, and illustrated several forms of drill by means of games.

The last period during the morning session was used in department work. Dr. Pattengill talked to the High School teachers on "Athletics as an Ally." Dr. Green addressed the Grammar School teachers on "Sug-gestions on Language Work." Miss Jones continued her work with the Primary teachers.

#### Directors' Association

The annual meeting of the Direc-tors' Association of McKean County met in the Grand Jury room at 1:30. A large number of directors was in attendance. The meeting was called to order by President F. D. Gallup of Smetaport.

Dr. R. R. Teitrick of the State De-partment addressed the directors on "The Directors' Opportunity." His address was full of good helpful sug-gestions and wise counsel. Dr. Pat-tengill of Michigan also addressed the directors on the value of our public schools. A number of questions were next taken up and referred to Dr. Tei-trick and others for answers. The meeting adjourned to meet at 9:00 a. m. on Thursday.

Supt. Schermerhorn and about for-ty of the teachers of the City of Brad-ford were in attendance at the In-stitute on Wednesday, and added to the interest and enthusiasm of the day.

#### Wednesday Afternoon

Dr. Green occupied the first period Wednesday afternoon with a most in-

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### GAS IN DEEP WELL

#### Drillers Have Lively Experience Early Tuesday Morning

Tuesday's Bradford Star Record says: The drillers on the deep well at Derrick City encountered a pocket of gas at 4 o'clock this morning and for a time there was danger of the derrick being destroyed by fire.

The bit was working in a limestone formation when a crevice that con-tained gas was found. Driller Wheel-er felt the string of tools drop and then felt them rise in the hole. He could hear the whistle of gas as it left its pent up prison in the lime-stone and rushed upward thourgh the hole. Wheeler quickly utilized a "snuffer" which turned a strong pres-sure of steam into the casing and thereby undoubtedly saved the loss of the rig.

In spite of the steam pressure the gas rushed to the surface, was ignit-ed from the fire in the derrick forge and flamed upward to a height of 30 feet. Clothing that hung in the der-rick was burned and the derrick itself was badly scorched.

The flow of gas lasted only for a moment, but it was so strong that Mr. Wheeler and his tool dresser feared that the derrick would be burned.

As the gas pressure exhausted it-self, the heavy tools dropped back to the bottom of the hole. The rush of gas had created a "cave" and the tools were firmly fastened in the bot-tom of the hole. At 11 o'clock this forenoon, they were jarred loose and at noon drilling was proceeding at a depth of 4,220 feet.

The pressure behind the gas that rushed to the top of the hole was very strong. If such a pressure could be found in a sand, instead of a crevice, a roaring gas well would be the re-sult.

### POMEROY CASE

#### Port Allegany Man is Given a Five Year Term

Pittsburg, Nov. 3.—Judge Charles P. Orr in United States District court yesterday sentenced Mark M. Pomer-oy, former assistant cashier and tel-ler of the Citizens Nation Bank of Port Allegany, to five years in the Leavenworth penitentiary. The de-fendant pleaded no defense to 19 in-dictments returned by the Federal grand jury, which charged misappli-cation of the funds of the bank in which he had been formerly employ-ed.

The government was represented by United States District Attorney John H. Jordan and the defendant by Attorney S. S. Mehard. The latter told the court that Pomeroy's first offense came when he found that his widowed mother had no funds to pay a grocery bill. The defendant's at-torney said that Pomeroy's misappli-cation of funds continued from that time until the present year, when he admitted to the bank examiners that he was short in his accounts of near-ly $50,000, which he had lost in spec-ulation.


### COWS FOR SALE

Two good cows giving milk, aged 3 and 13 years. For particulars call on or address

Adv-tf. F. C. LYMAN, Water St.

### HORSE FOR SALE

A bay mare, 7 years old, weighs 1300 pounds. For particulars inquire of MOODY & GUENTER,

Adv Coryville, Pa.

# THE WILLOUGHBY PEARLS

### Nerve Rocking Experience of an Extravagant Wife

By CLARISSA MACKIE

"Laura," said Mr. Budlow as he left the breakfast table, "if you will meet me at Bent's about 1 o'clock we can have luncheon and then go on to the Willoughby auction. The jewels will be put up today."

"You darling!" cried Mrs. Budlow rapturously. "That means you are going to buy the pearls for me after all?"

"Perhaps," said Budlow with an enigmatic smile. "They are attracting considerable attention, but if I can afford them"—

"Afford them! Why, of course you can afford anything that that Dick Willoughby could buy." Mrs Budlow laughed incredulously and added, "Ella Mason says Tom is going to bid on them."

"If the price does not soar too high I will try to manage them for you, but it will mean giving up that trip abroad and the cottage at Sunport"—

"Will that have to go too?" she interrupted, aghast. "Why, I don't care for the pearls if I can't wear them at Sunport!"

"Please yourself, my dear," said Budlow rather wearily. "You know I told you in the beginning that I could not afford them. They will push the price up to fifty thousand at least, and I am so tightly squeezed now that it is sheer folly to even dream of them; but I've always been rather foolish where you are concerned."

"Oh, well," she pouted, "but I do want them so badly, Henry."

"I know it and I'm going to try and get them for you, although the purchase of the pearls at this time may cripple my resources so that, in the event of another panic, I might go to the wall for lack of those very thousands. Where could you wear the pearls then?" He smiled kindly at her from tired eyes.

She returned the look with a mutinous one. She was blind to the worn lines in his handsome face, that shabbiness of his coat, the gray hairs threading his temples. At this moment all that he represented was money, but if any one had hinted that Laura Budlow did not love her husband she would have been amazed and deeply injured.

It had been called a love match—that of the beautiful but impecunious Miss Ainslee and Henry Budlow, the wealthy broker and for awhile they were very happy. But the gay life of the set in which they moved appealed constantly to the mercenary side of her nature and gradually she came to look upon her husband merely as a source of income to furnish her the luxuries she demanded.

Now it was the Willoughby pearls.

Laura replied to her husband's last question with an incredulous stare. "That's all nonsense, of course, Henry. You won't go under for the sake of a few thousand dollars—you are merely

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trying to frighten me. I really don't care so much for the possession of the pearls—but I don't want Ella Mason to have them—there!"

"And you would jeopardize my business for that petty reason?" gasped Budlow with a bewildered air.

"Fiddlesticks with the business, Henry. You know it will be all right and I do want those pearls more than anything else in the world."

"You wanted the London season two years ago, and the yacht, the cottage at Sunport, the camp in the Adirondacks, the three motor cars, the diamonds, that Rembrandt and"—

"Henry Budlow, I will not listen to another word," cried Laura tearfully. "I believed you loved me, but now"—

"Very well, my dear," interrupted Budlow gravely. "Let it go. Meet me at Bent's and I will see what can be done." And without the customary parting caress he left the house.

Laura Budlow dried her tears and sat up, feeling very uncomfortable. How queer Henry had looked, so gray and old and so different from that bright, clever Mr Mason, whose debonair person radiated prosperity and self satisfaction! And Tom Mason's business was not as well established as Henry's. The very idea that the purchase of the Willoughby pearls might wreck the house of Budlow & Co. was ridiculous.

She dismissed the unpleasantness from her mind and dwelt only on the anticipated bliss of possessing the famous pearls. They were at once the admiration of her set, and half the women had envied pretty Molly Willoughby their possession.

But now Willoughby had failed, and the pearls, together with the other jewels, pictures, houses, horses and motors, were up at auction, for Molly Willoughby had insisted that everything should be sacrificed to save her husband's honor, and they were going west to begin life anew. And Molly had bravely declared she was happier than she had ever been since Bob had married her.

Laura took the train for the twenty mile run into the city. It was a local and well filled with passengers, but she found an empty seat and sank into it.

The train creaked into activity and then settled into a steady rumbling roar. Two men in the seat behind were spenking, and their voices were plainly heard above the roar of the wheels.

"Yes," said one of them, 'poor old Budlow is about all in this time, I reckon."

"But," expostulated another voice, "my wife says she heard he was going to buy the Willoughby pearls. They'll fetch a cool fifty thousand at least."

"The bigger fool he," rejoined the other grimly. "A man in Budlow's position has no business doing stunts like that. He needs every cent he can scrape together to keep his head above water these times."

"I thought he was pretty well backed—had plenty of it."

"So he was, but you know it takes a pretty big barrelful to supply the wants of one of the Ainslee girls. Budlow married one of them."

"The Ainslees were not rich?"

"Poor as Job's turkey, but the girls were all handsome and married money. This one looks on poor old Bud as a walking gold mine. He's so harnessed that he can't exercise proper judgment in conducting his affairs. Some day my lady will ask for one thing too many, and Budlow will be found with a bullet in his brain."

"And the Willoughby pearls will come under the hammer again," laughed the other as the train drew into the Central station.

Laura Budlow walked through the station like one in a dream. She was about to enter a waiting taxicab when she drew back sharply. "I will walk," she said and turned toward Broadway.

It was a long journey afoot down to Wall street but in a burst of self reproach Laura Budlow determined that her feet should tread every inch of the way. Besides she must have time to think over many matters which had presented themselves in a new light that morning—since she had entered the train.

As she plodded along, her high heeled shoes quickly tiring her feet, she thought of the painful poverty of her girlhood—the constant struggle to keep up appearances, the overworked father and overanxious mother, then the marriage of first one beautiful sister after another into the rich set and finally her own wooing and wedding to Henry Budlow.

Of course she had loved him in a way, but she had been so dazzled by the prospect of an opulent future, where there would be no weighing of dollars and cents, that she accepted it as a fact that she was marrying Henry Budlow for his money and nothing else. Since their marriage he had been very good to her, and there was no whim that he had declined to gratify, but his town office demanded much of his attention and Laura had plunged into the maelstrom of society, and gradually all her tenderness for her husband had been relegated to the background. There only remained for her the restless fever of coming and going, of spending lavishly, until she had grown to look upon her husband merely as a mine of inexhaustible riches upon which she could draw indefinitely to supply all her needs, whether real or imaginary.

With eyes fixed ahead and thought concentrated on these painful memories, Laura trudged down the street, almost unconscious of her utter weariness. When she neared Wall street there came the apprehension that Henry might have thought the matter over on his way to the city that morning—might have considered the purchase of the pearls as the last straw upon his overburdened business and in utter discouragement might have ended his life as the man on the train had predicted.

Even now he might be lying in his splendid offices with a small blue mark on his temple, a pool of blood on the polished floor and his worn, haggard face relaxed into tranquil rest, and she would be to blame for it all.

The fear lent wings to her weary feet. Once at Pine street she paused at the crossing while traffic blocked the way.

"Any woman that will goad a man to committing such extravagances merely to possess pearls to string about her worthless throat"—

The speakers passed on, and with a low cry of terror Laura Budlow ran the remaining distance to her husband's office, threading the crowd like a shadow, so swift was her flight. A newsboy ran beside her and bawled lustily in her ear:

"Uxtry, uxtry! Full account soocide in de Croesus building. Millionaire broker blows out his brains!" He thrust a luridly colored page into Laura's horrified face.

There dancing in crimson letters, were other horrible headlines, "Vampire wife drives husband to suicide!"

"Vampire woman"—that was she—Laura Budlow. That horrible suggestion had come true. With chattering teeth and shaking limbs she reached to Croesus building and entered an elevator. It was crowded with men, and they were talking about the suicide, and her bewildered senses caught now and then a word or phrase—"Willoughby pearls," "Poor devil," "Fiend of a woman," and so forth.

Laura Budlow wanted to scream at them that she was the "fiend of a woman," she was the "vampire," only she was afraid they would carry her away before she looked once more on her husband's still face. At the fifteenth floor she got out while car and its excited occupants shot upward.

She was relieved to find that no crowd had gathered about her husband's suit. She turned the knob fearfully and in the outer offices confronted the usual array of dapper, well dressed clerks. She noted, with a pang, that most of them were better dressed than Henry himself. They were busied over desks, although she was sure there had been a hum of ex-

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cited talk as she entered and one of the men tossed a copy of the "extra" into a waste paper basket.

The head clerk came forward with his usual elaborate courtesy.

"Where is he?" she asked faintly with dry lips.

"Er—you mean Mr Budlow?" inquired the clerk.

She bowed.

"In his office. Step this way, if you please, Mrs Budlow." And he led the way down a carpeted corridor to an inner door where he left her.

Again Laura hesitated. It was hard to enter that room alone and she could not understand why they had not brought him home—perhaps he had left a note saying he did not want to be taken to any place where she might be. Presently she turned the knob and entered the room with closed eyes, dreading to look at what was there.

"Laura! What is the matter?" Her eyes opened at her husband's anxious question and he leaped forward just in time to receive her unconscious form in his arms.

Budlow carried her to the broad leather couch and bathed her forehead with ice water. He noted with surprise that her shoes were dusty and that her dainty gown showed traces of a long walk.

Presently she recovered consciousness and sat up, looking at him with a strangely contented tenderness. "Oh Henry, I am so glad" she breathed softly, and then she burst into bitter sobbing.

"What is the matter, dear—what has happened?" he asked anxiously.

"I am so glad I'm not a vampire," she sobbed.

"A vampire? What do you mean—are you ill?"

"I thought you were dead—I came to say that I don't want the Willoughby pearls or the trip to Europe or anything except you! Can't you sell a lot of the things and let us begin over again in a smaller way?"

Budlow nearly shouted, so great was his relief.

"Will you be satisfied with only me, dear?" he whispered, huskily.

"Yes"

"I'm glad you don't want them—after what has happened today. Poor Tom Mason shot himself this morning. They say he was worrying because he couldn't buy the Willoughby pearls for Ella."

"I shall always hate pearls," whispered Laura, clinging closely to her husband.

### Browning's Disappointment.

Robert Browning's great hopes for his son were not fulfilled. One of the poet's disappointments was the rejection of a statue by "Pen" sent to the academy in the eighties.

Though Pen Browning's statue was rejected, two or three pictures painted in Belgium, clever in a hard, realistic technique but very far from beautiful, were hung at the academy. Browning was sensitively anxious about the reputation of these works. On one occasion, when he was showing his son's pictures on a studio Sunday, he said to a friend who mentally noted the saying with its rather strained modesty, "You see, people expect so much from him because he had a clever mother." One of the pictures, by the way, represented an exceedingly large pig. There was no kind of impression about it. It was a pig seen through no temperament at all.—London Globe.

## SHATTERED THE MOUNTAIN.

### A Volcanic Outburst That Tore Krakatoa Up by the Roots.

The eruption of Krakatoa, in the Sunda strait Aug 26, 1883, still ranks first among the appalling convulsions of nature.

Krakatoa was a volcanic mountain midway between Sumatra and Java, but it had been inactive since 1680. In the spring of 1883 it began to show signs of activity. On the 26th of August loud explosions were heard, and on the 28th came the eruption that fairly shook the planet.

The eruption was followed by an appalling darkness, with a downpour of mud and sand. Then came a tremendous tidal movement the water receding and then returning and overwhelming the people on the shores. The tidal wave was fifty feet high.

When investigation became possible it was found that Krakatoa had burst, throwing one part eight miles to the north and hurling the other part completely over Lang island, seven miles to the northeast.

The great mountain was literally torn up by the roots, as was shown by the fact that over the spot where the exploded volcano had stood the sounding line found a depth of 160 fathoms, or 960 feet. Other soundings showed that the bottom of the ocean for miles around had been changed. Islands that had never been seen before appeared and others entirely disappeared.

The damage to human life, done chiefly by the monster tidal waves, has never been definitely estimated, but it is known that at least 100,000 perished. The loss was probably far in excess of that number.

Some idea of the force of the explosion may be had from the fact that the waves that were started by it and driven east and west from the narrow straits, traveled across the oceans and met on the other side of the globe. Indeed, it was proved that these waves crossed at the antipodes and encircled the earth no less than four times before they got back to normal.

Strange as it may seem, the detonation accompanying the explosion was felt 3,000 miles away, while from its very immensity it was almost inaudible to the dwellers in the immediate vicinity.

Wonderful, too, were the meteorological phenomena following the dread calamity. The sun did not rise or set in the old familiar way for more than a year after the explosion. The clouds appeared to be touched with strange lurid tints, and the blue of the heavens did not look as it had looked before. The superstitious in all lands felt that the very laws of nature were changing, and some imagined that the world was nearing its end.

The explanation, later on given, was that the queer phenomena were due to the fact that the awful explosion had filled the whole upper atmosphere with thousands of tons of fine dust, which encircled the entire earth and changed the aspect of the heavens.—New York American.

### A Curious Canal.

Between Worsley and St. Helens, in the north of England, is the most remarkable canal in the world. It is underground from end to end and is sixteen miles long. In Lancashire the coal mines are very extensive, half the country being undermined, and many years ago the Duke of Bridgewater's managers thought they could save money by transporting the coal underground instead of on the surface. The canal was constructed and the mines connected and drained at the same time. Ordinary canalboats are used, but the power is furnished by men. On the roof of the tunnel arch are crosspieces, and the men do the work of propulsion by lying on their backs on the coal and pushing with their feet against the crossbars on the roof.

### An Expensive Drop.

Mr. Hiram Jones had just returned from a personally conducted tour of Europe. "I suppose," commented a friend, "that when you were in England you did as the English do and dropped your H's?"

"No," moodily responded the returned traveler, "I didn't. I did as the Americans do. I dropped my V's and X's."

Then he slowly meandered down to the bank to see if he couldn't get the mortgage extended.—Lippincott's.

### The Doubtful One.

Spurgeon was once asked if the man who learned to play a cornet on Sunday would go to heaven.

The great preacher's reply was characteristic. Said he, "I don't see why he should not, but"—after a pause—"I doubt whether the man next door will."—London Tit-Bits.

### Cruel.

Miss Yellowleaf—Yes, ours is a very old family. You know, we came over in the Mayflower. Miss Caustique—Indeed! And did you—er—have a pleasant voyage?—Judge.

### A Bright Scholar.

Teacher—John, what is wrong with the sentence, "The goat went in the garden?" John—The words "garden" and "goat" should be transposed.—Exchange.

### Today.

Live today as though it was the only day you had to live. This is the secret of the forceful life, the life of vitality and beauty, the only life that is worth while.

There is a great secret in knowing what to keep out of the mind as well as what to put in.—Emerson.

## THE AUTHENTIC LEE.

### His Two Master Spirits Were Lofty Pride and Fierce Enthusiasm.

Under the habitually unruffled composure of that ocean of reserve and dominated, as I believe, by two master spirits, lies the authentic Lee. And what were those master spirits which, blind to facts and deaf to reason, drove him on from Farmville? Were they creations of his own? No, not at all. Nature herself had planted them. And what were they? One, an all pervading, unconscious pride, a pride not sordid or arrogant, but lofty; the other, diffused through his whole being and pulsing in every vein, a burning, even fierce, enthusiasm.

These, in my judgment, were the ingrained, controlling temperamental qualities in Robert E. Lee which determined his fate. The former could not stand the humiliation of being overthrown completely in a cause he believed right; the latter converted him at danger's first challenge as was again and again displayed in the field, into a prompt and inveterate fighter.

As, for instance, at Antietam, although he had met and stood off McClellan, yet with such carnage that it was in effect a defeat, still for a day after the battle he held his ground among his dead resolutely challenging his adversary to come on if he dared.

So too he stood for a day at Gettysburg after his frightful repulses, inviting Meade to attack, and when with his bleeding army he reached the flooded Potomac, with every bridge swept away, undismayed he turned his back on the raging stream and planting his colors defiantly bade the Army of the Potomac to strike.

Who can forget too, how quickly he accepted Hooker's gage of battle in the Wilderness and how a year later—the violets were just in bloom again for the first time on the blood stained ground of Gettysburg—he plunged at Grant?

No eagle that ever flew, no tiger that ever sprang had more natural courage and I will guarantee that every field he was on if you ask it about him will speak of the unquelling battle spirit of his men. Be not deceived—Lee notwithstanding his poise was naturally the most belligerent man at the head of any army in the war.—Morris Schaff in Atlantic.

## A NAVAL REBUKE.

### Two Admirals, a Captain and a Fool in Manila Bay.

When Dewey's fleet was at Manila the late Admiral Chichester was then a captain. On one occasion Admiral Diedrichs, the German, sent out the Irene on an unrevealed errand and without the customary notification to the commander of the blockading fleet.

Admiral Dewey had suffered, he thought, sufficiently from that sort of thing, and so the admiral sent a vessel across the Irene's bows and notified her captain that she would not be permitted to depart without a statement as to her destination.

It was not Admiral Diedrichs' mission to quarrel with both the American and the English fleets on this critical occasion, so he sought to find out Captain Chichester's purpose in case of a collision. Going on board Chichester's ship, he angrily exclaimed, "Did you see what Dewey did to my ship?"

"Yes," replied Chichester.

"What would you have done if it had been an English ship?"

"Well," said Chichester, conveniently assuming that the Irene's captain had sailed without orders from Diedrichs, "I'd have put my captain in arrest, and then I'd have gone on board the Olympia and apologized to Admiral Dewey for having such a fool in command of one of my ships."—Harper's Weekly.

### Sweden Aids Its Athletes.

Sweden is the only country in which the practice of athletics among adults is state aided. The Swedish National Union of Athletes has since its foundation received an annual subsidy of 20,000 crowns ($5,400) from the government. The union bestows gold, silver and bronze badges on all who attain a certain standard in athletics. In order to encourage the continuance of training in later life these badges are bestowed according to age as well as proficiency. The gold badge can be secured only by men over thirty-two who can swim 200 meters, take a long jump of five meters, put the weight sixteen meters and run ten kilometers in fifty minutes. This performance has to be repeated annually in order to retain the badge.

### Mother Was Right.

It was at the dinner table, and the hostess addressed her husband's brother thus:

"Do have another piece of pie, William!"

"Why, really, I've already had two. But it's so good I believe I will have another."

"Ha, ha! Mother's a winner!" said little Frank excitedly. "She said she'd bet you'd make a pig of yourself."—Harper's Magazine.

### His Little Scheme.

"Going to Wombat's dinner party?"

"Guess so. Why is he announcing that reporters will be rigidly excluded?"

"That's his scheme to get the affair well written up."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

### Nothing to Conceal.

Barber—How do you—er—part your hair, sir? Customer (partially bald)—Along the line of least resistance, young man.—Chicago Tribune.


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### Undetermined Joke.

"There's a crook gone to the island for ten days that I'll be looking when he comes out," remarked a policeman on an east side post.

"What?"

"Well, listen. I caught him trying a door on my beat the other night and took him in. He started to be funny about it and I swung my stick at him. Before I could land him one on the head he shouts out to me:

"'Don't hit me! Look out! There's dynamite stick in me pocket!'

"I stopped quick enough, all right, for, you see, I get all the blowing I need at the station now and again I listen. When that chap was searched at the station there wasn't a sign of dynamite on him.

"Who was the joke on? Never mind that. The question is, who will the joke be on? Just wait."—New York Globe.

### How He Would Stop Dueling.

Dueling survived in England until about the middle of the forties, "when," says Lady Dorothy Nevill, "an encounter between Lieutenant Colonel Fawcett and Lieutenant Monro, which the former was shot dead, to a debate in the house of commons owing to the wife of the former being refused a pension. On this occasion Sir Charles Napier declared that if one way existed of effectually putting an end to dueling. No duel should be allowed which was not fought across a table. Of the two pistols used one should be loaded with ball, it being drawn to see who should have the loaded one. If this produced a result then both pistols should be loaded with ball and the survivor, should there be one, hanged."

### Advice From Her Lawyer.

Timothy Coffin, who was promising at the Bristol county bar in the last century, once secured the acquittal of an old woman accused of stealing a piece of pork. As she was leaving the courtroom she put her hand to her mouth and in audible whisper said:

"Mr Carfin, what'll I do with my por-ruk?"

Quickly came the retort: "Eat it, you fool! The judge says you didn't steal it."—Boston Herald.

### Sure of His Umbrella.

Departing Guest—Dear me, what a wet night! I wonder if you could lend me the loan of an umbrella? Host—Certainly, but—well, the fact is, I think I would be the better for a walk. Just take a turn home with you and shelter you by the way.

### A Sad Feature.

Jack—Engagement is off, eh? Did she send him back the ring? Tom—No; that's what's bothering him—owes money on that ring.—New York Press.

To smile at the jest which plays the thorn in another's breast is to be a principal in the mischief.—Sheridan.

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**McKean County Miner**

Smethport, Pa Thursday Oct. 31, 1912


## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

—Six arrests were made on Hallowe'en night in Bradford Two were for turning in false fire alarms and the other four were youths who were disorderly

—An Omaha doctor says bolting food increases human mortality There are so many theories on this thing nowadays that we've come to the conclusion that the only thing to do with food is to eat it

—James Lee, colored, aged 38 years who resided on Railroad avenue, Olean, committed suicide on Tuesday evening of last week by drinking carbolic acid The suicide followed a quarrel with a colored woman named Jennie Gayton

—Everybody should get his share—if he is entitled to it But many a complainant really deserves little because he has been and is of little use in the world He wants something for nothing and is therefore, at heart a swindler—Random notes in Bradford Era

—Awakening Sunday morning after a sound sleep at the farm house of George Seiterger in Warren county following a day's hunting A. N. Aiken of Erie, made a gruesome discovery that his bedfellow, William J Holly, also of Erie, was a corpse. Holly died sometime during the night from heart failure, doubtless induced by the strenuous day in the hunting field with a fowling piece in quest for game

—Fred L. Maneval, of Ridgway, has been awarded one thousand dollars and a bronze medal for bravery by the Carnegie Hero Fund commission at Pittsburg. On July 19, 1907, Mr Maneval, a brakeman on the Pennsylvania railroad, saved Elna Newburg from being run over by a train at Ridgway. The attention of the commission was called to this act of bravery and the honors conferred upon him have just been announced.

A hospital established as a memorial to the late Governor Frank Wayland Higgins was dedicated at his former home in Olean on Saturday The occasion was marked by the reading of letters from both President Taft and ex President Roosevelt which expressed regret for their inability to attend and warmly praised Mr Higgins' public service The dedicatory address was made by Homer Folks secretary of the State Charities Aid Association

—When Mrs Rosalia Konora of Shamokin, Pa entered her bedroom last Thursday after a brief absence from her infant daughter in a low crib the former found her covered with blood from wounds caused by a big rat chewing at the infant's legs and hands The rodent was on the child's breast when Mrs Konora arrived It would not retreat until the woman hurled a heavy vase then it leaped through a window and escaped The child is in a serious condition

—Tony Hydock of Bolivar Run, was taken into custody yesterday morning by Constable William Jones and Special Deputy Game Warden C F Hinckley, on the charge of carrying firearms while an unnaturalized citizen When arrested Hydock had in his possession a shotgun and a rifle The hearing was set for 10 o'clock this forenoon before Alderman Foley, but during the afternoon Hydock appeared before the alderman and pleaded guilty to the charge and was fined $50 and costs which amount he paid and was discharged says Friday's Bradford Era

—The postoffice department requests that the widest publicity be given to the following features of the parcels post regulations That distinctive parcels post stamps must be used on all fourth class matter, beginning January 1, 1913, and that such matter bearing ordinary postage will be rated as "Held for Postage" That parcels will be mailable only at postoffices, branch postoffices, lettered and local named stations as may be designated by the postmaster. That all parcels must bear the return card of the sender, otherwise they will not be accepted for mailing

—A Warren dispatch dated Nov. 4, says Cyrus Cole, a resident of Eldred, McKean county, was arrested by United States Secret Service Agent John M Nye on a charge of counterfeiting He was brought to this city and given a hearing before United States Commissioner Shawkey this morning who held him in $3 000 bail In the house where Cole was arrested were found moulds for United States half dollars and quarters and Canadian quarters The secret service man said the dies were the best he had ever seen Cole is supposed to have had several confederates and the officers have returned to Eldred and will make a complete investigation. Several other arrests are expected

—Mrs. Virginia Noble, about forty-five years, committed suicide Friday afternoon at her home one mile South of Allentown by taking dose of carbolic acid Mrs. Noble had been in ill health for nearly a year and was in a weakened mental condition which accounts for the sad tragedy The deceased complained of feeling badly in the afternoon and later was missed A search for her was made by anxious relatives and she was found in the barn upstairs. An investigation revealed that she had taken carbolic acid She is survived by her husband and one sister, Mrs Reuben Mills, of Wellsville The funeral was held from the home Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock The bereaved husband and sister will have the deep sympathy of a large circle of friends in the sad misfortune that has befallen them—Bolivar Breeze

—A late edition of the Centre Democrat contains a column article in which it sets forth the views of Hon Willis R Bierly, living near Smullton, who had a notice served upon him by F L Greene, a Chestnut Tree Blight agent, to destroy eight trees which were found to be infected with the blight Mr. Bierly appealed to the Commission and in his appeal made several statements which may cause some activity in forestry circles He claims that in the first place the "chestnut wood necker," meaning the agent, is liable to trespass damage under the Timber Trespass Act, that there is no such thing as chestnut tree blight destruction being caused by a white worm 1 2 inch long, which works under the bark and that the "spores" are not infections, setting forth good reasons for his statement He accuses the Commission of spending the $25 000 every two years worthless ly claiming the blight is only the invention of this age of asinity to provide some easy berths for members of the Commission Centre county people are anxiously awaiting the result of the controversy

## PREPARING TREES FOR WINTER.

### Orchard Owners Should Not Neglect This Important Work

The preparation of trees for winter must not be neglected said State Zoologist H A Surface in his office at Harrisburg They should be examined to see if they are infested with borers If the gum at the base of peach plum or apricot trees contain fine grains like sawdust, this shows that the borer is at work and should be removed by cutting lengthwise of the trunk with a knife until the pest is found No more cutting should be done than is necessary to locate it If fine, dry sawdust is found on the ground at the base of apple quince or pear trees this indicates that a borer is at work here which is a different species from the Peach tree borer The best way to kill this pest is to inject into its hole the liquid known as carbon bisulfide, using a spring bottom oil can

Scrape away any rubbish that may be against the tree trunk, cut off as closely as possible any suckers or little shoots starting up at, or below the surface of the ground; and mound up the earth around the tree to a height of one-half foot or a foot Leave no place for water to stand over the roots If there are low places fill them so they will not become little ice ponds The removal of the rubbish and the mounding of the tree are the greatest aids toward preventing injury by mice They also help to prevent winter freezing and loosening the trees by winds Before the leaves drop cut off all dead and dying branches They can not readily be seen afterward Further pruning of larger living branches may be done after the tree is fully dormant

In most cases it is not best to plow orchard ground late in the fall It is liable to result in washing, and also in leaching away of the soluble plant food If the plowing had been done in August or September, and the ground seeded with a cover crop, like crimson clover, rye, oats, vetch, or (better) a mixture of vetch and oats or rye, it would have been the proper treatment Now it is better to wait until very early in the spring, and then to do the plowing and cultivating.

### Pronunciation.

Here is a curious couplet which illustrates in one sentence the various values of the combination "ough" and shows how strikingly inconsistent are the spelling and pronunciation of some English words The lines may be supposed to be the words of an invalid who had a strong will and was determined to live in spite of his ailment

Though the tough cough and hiccough ploughed me through,
Yet o'er life's lough my course I will pursue.

### The Reason

Gibbs—Stout people they say, are rarely guilty of meanness or crime Dibbs Well you see it's so difficult for them to stoop to anything low—Boston Transcript.


**QUEER OLD MINES**

The Orpiment Workings in the Snow Clad Himalayas.

**A DAZZLING BLAZE OF COLOR.**

**Splendors of the Dismal Mineral Pits as They Sparkle in a Brilliant Mosaic of Gold and Rubies in the Light of the Flashing Torches.**

High on the flanks of Tirich Mir, one of the snow clad giant Himalayas of Chitral are the old mines where orpiment is found Orpiment is a flaky, flexible mineral a compound of arsenic and sulphur the basis of certain beautiful yellow pigments, the auripigmentum of the ancients In "Sport and Life in the Further Himalayas" Major Kennion describes his visit to these workings, the first visit to them, he was told ever made by a European

"The holes through which the mines are entered are in the face of a precipitous rock and are reached by a narrow slowuward sloping ledge. They were about large enough for a hyena to walk into without inconvenience

On my arrival five or six men with bloodshot eyes and faces covered with yellow dust crawled out. Although not injurious to health, the orpiment, I was told affected the hands of the miners in a peculiar way That was obvious enough The hands of many of the men I saw were shrunken to the bone, of a dark slaty color and covered with knots and excrescences

I told my guide to lead on, and he disappeared into one of the holes. I followed more deliberately, surprised at being able to get in at all. After crawling a few yards we found ourselves in a small chamber about eight een feet long, in which a man could stand upright The air was fresher than I had expected, but there was no orpiment in sight.

In the farther corner there was what looked like a well, and toward this my guide led me Following his example I sat on the floor and let myself down feet foremost into this dark and narrow hole The shaft did not go straight down, and on the whole it was easier to descend than a factory chimney for here and there were projecting ledges on which you could rest your toes But for any one except a sweep or an orpiment miner it was difficult enough

After descending some twenty feet I felt my legs swinging in space a hand grasped one foot guided it to a rock and I let myself down on solid earth I was in another chamber smaller than the first and stuffier But still there was no orpiment

A hole appeared to lead away in a downward direction from the farther end of the chamber and on one side a lot of debris had fallen My guide cheerfully told me that this was the grave of eight men, who had been buried under this fall of stone while working at the end of the passage

"My guide now disappeared into the hole and I had to follow There was no room to crawl—you had to lie down and work yourself along with your toes The air was foul and full of sulphurous dust. If it had been possible to turn round and retreat I think I should have done so After traversing forty feet, which seemed as many miles, in this painful manner we reached another chamber, in which it was possible to sit up

"Here at last was the orpiment, and it was almost worth the trouble of coming to see Except where the roof was blackened by our torches—the miners do their work in the dark for the sake of purer air—the walls of the mine seemed a dazzling scintillating mosaic of gold and rubies. The light was thrown back from an infinite number of glittering points, in which every shade of red and yellow from the deepest ruby to the most brilliant scarlet, from old gold to the palest sulphur was intermingled to form an indescribable blaze of color

"After admiring the fascinating glitter and gleam and ever changing blaze of beautiful color of this display of subterranean splendor for awhile and breaking off a few specimens of various hues I began to long for the upper air So we began the ascent from Avernus, which I was pleased to find considerably easier than the descent."


### Just the Same.

"Do you act toward your wife as you did before you married her?"

"Exactly I remember just how I used to act when I first fell in love with her. I used to hang over the fence in front of her house and gaze at her shadow on the curtain, afraid to go in. And I act just the same way now when I get home late."

### Not So Very Unexpected.

"Ada, dearest Ada, will you be mine?"

"Oh, Charles, this is so unexpected! You must give me a little time."

"How long, darling?"

"Oh, I will just call mamma. She is waiting in the next room"—Fliegende Blatter

### Retribution

"Oh, George, who opened the canary's cage?"

"I did. You told me a little bird was whispering to you when I was naughty so I knew it must be him, as there was no other little bird about, so I opened the cage and the cat's eaten him"

Anxiety does not empty tomorrow of its sorrow It empties today of its strength Maclaren


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Smethport, Thursday, Nov. 7, 1912.


Bull Moose are very plentiful in McKean county as well as in the grand old Keystone state.

Roosevelt was not strong where the gang held sway. In Albany he only got 1500 to Taft's 14,000.

Mr. Taft is credited with saying some time ago that the Bull Moose could come back into the fold after election if they could be good and act penitent Will the mountain come to Mohamed?

Hon. C. E. Patton, Republican and Washington party candidate for Congress is undoubtedly re elected He had a big majority in this county and ran close enough to his opponent in the other counties to assure his re-election.

A. W. Mitchell, formerly of this place, and a son of George W Mitchell, was elected as a member of Assembly from Erie county on Tuesday. Mr. Mitchell was the regular Republican nominee and was opposed by a Democrat and a Washington party man, but he won out after a splendid fight by a plurality of 99 votes. His many friends here extend congratulations to Hon. A. W. Mitchell.

John Schrank, who attempted to assassinate Colonel Roosevelt, will be arraigned in municipal court at Milwaukee, Wis., to enter a plea of guilty or not guilty either Thursday or Friday, according to announcement made at the district attorney's office on Tuesday. As soon as his plea is entered a commission of alienists probably will be appointed to make a formal inquiry into his mental condition.

Returns up to 8 o'clock last evening indicate that the political complexion of the House of Representatives of the 63rd Congress will be as follows: Democratic, 279, Republican, 119; Progressive, 12. The Congressional districts not yet reported are 25. Many of those placed in the Republican column are of progressive persuasion but were nominated on the Republican ticket and are therefore classed as Republicans.

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Hon. R. W. Hilton is elected State Senator in this district by about 500 plurality over James Covey, of Potter county. In this county, Mr Hilton won by 1000 and he carried Potter county by 200, but in Tioga county Mr. Covey beat him by about 700, leaving a total plurality of about 500 in the three counties. When Mr. Hilton accepted the nomination it did not look as thought he had a chance of winning, but later developments made him a winner. His many friends are congratulating him and generally speak of him as "Lucky Bob."

The Miner is more than ordinarily pleased to note that H. H. Redfield is the high man on all the tickets for member of Assembly from this county. Mr. Redfield, who is one of the squarest and most upright independent Republicans in this county, was defeated two years ago, his defeat being brought about by the voters believing the charges of the opposition that he was a straddler. They tried the same tactics this fall but the voters knew Mr. Redfield better than they did two years ago and now he is high man with about 400 over his colleague, Mr. Benson and 800 over Mr. Knight, his running mate on the Washington party ticket and the next highest man on the ticket.

Some of the stand-pat gang and tory press are trying to lay all the blame for the Republican national defeat to Col. Roosevelt. But any man with a grain of common sense and the slightest knowledge of the general feeling of the people know that if the Progressive party had never been born Taft would have been nearly if not quite as badly beaten as he was last Tuesday. A vast majority of the people in the United States were completely disgusted with the way the big interests have been manipulating things for the past three years and no power in the world could have induced a majority of them to have stuck by the Republican machine after Taft had been forced upon them by the Penrose-Barnes crowd. The men who are to blame for the Republican defeat are those men who would not allow the rank and file of the Republican party to have their choice in selecting their nominee for President. Penrose, Barnes, and his crowd can make all the excuses they please and lay the blame wherever they will, but no one knows better than they that they alone are to blame for the crushing defeat of the Republican party.

Governor Wilson has been elected President of the United States and at the same time the Progressive party by taking second place has won a great victory. The following is taken from Yesterday's Philadelphia North American, which says:

It is not now time to forecast the course of the next national administration nor to discontinue its policies We believe that this campaign has had results more important and more far-reaching than the election of a president, whatever his course may be.

Despite the fact that Roosevelt apparently has not achieved the almost superhuman and won the presidency, the chief result of the election has been a tremendous victory for the Progressive party. The election of its national candidates was too much to expect of a party which is hardly five months old, and which has had national organization for but three months.

The election of the Democratic candidate for president is but a negative result so far as there seems any possibility of its affecting the march of political progress in the nation. On the other hand, the placing of the Progressive party on a firm basis as one of the great national parties is a positive result, weighted with the assurance of a truer and better representative democracy of a genuine rule of the people; of the destruction of the invisible government, which is the alliance between corrupt business and corrupt politics; of conservation of natural resources for the use of all the people; of the conservation of human resources by laws to lift the burden from backs overladen, to protect women in industry and to restore childhood to the child.

Six months ago these aspirations of the common man were represented only by a vague unrest, a dissatisfaction with the two old political parties expressed in uncertain predictions of a new alignment that seemed to be in the too distant future. To-day these aspirations are embodied in a militant, aggressive, nation-wide party The realignment has taken place among more than half the voters of the nation.

Four years Mr Taft was elected by the largest vote ever given to a candidate for president. He went into office with a commission from the people of the nation to carry out the progressive policies which had been inaugurated by Theodore Roosevelt.

Because he was believed to represent peculiarly the national sentiment back of those policies, Mr. Taft carried with him into the White House the good will of a larger portion of the public than had any man who had been elected president since the days of James Monroe. Even the leaders and voters of the opposition party shared this sentiment. For the great majority of the Democratic party, too, was imbued with progressive aspirations, and the country looked for a progressive administration.

The history of the Taft administration is one of the saddest chapters in American political annals. The betrayal of the people's trust was followed by a rising tide of the people's righteous wrath. This was particularly intense among the rank and file of the Republican party, the men who had made Mr. Taft president.

The people of the party were progressive. The bosses who had seized the party machinery and the little army of retainers who served them were Tories. With the approach of the primary campaign the issue became clearly drawn. Was the Republican party to fulfill its high mission of service to humanity? Was it to be an instrument of government by the people? Or was it to become a machine for the defeat of popular government and for the exploitation of humanity by predatory wealth? The voters answered the question in the primaries whenever they had an opportunity. In the twelve states where there was free expression they decided by votes varying from 40 to 1 to 2 to 1 that the Republican party was to be progressive.

But the bosses, the corrupt political allies of corrupt business, overthrew the judgment of the people. The Republican party was delivered bound to the powers of plunder and oppression. Then the Progressive party was born.

After a three-month campaign that party has run second in a presidential race. It has polled millions of votes. It has spread into every state in the Union. It has carried great, populous states, hitherto rock-bound in their allegiance to the Republican party. It has destroyed the Republican party despite its splendid traditions and all the memories that cling around them. The Progressive party has taken up those traditions. It now stands aggressive, militant, organized, compact, ready to carry on the battle for humanity, for genuine government by the people, for which the Republican party stood in the days of its purity.

Mr. Wilson was nominated as a progressive and elected because a large part of the people of the nation believe him to be one. This is in itself a victory for the Progressive party.

Had it not been for the fight made by Colonel Roosevelt and his followers at Chicago, and their avowed determination to establish a new party pledged to progressive principles, Mr. Wilson would not have been nominated at Baltimore The nomination would have gone to a recognized reactionary, and the people of this country would have had a choice between a reactionary named by the Democratic wing of the bipartisan machine and a reactionary named by the Republican wing of the same machine.

If Mr Wilson lives up to the promise of the progressive followers, the nation will owe it to the Progressive party that it has not a Tory in the White House.

But, whatever Mr. Wilson's policy as president, the new Progressive party will force a realignment in the Democratic population just as it has already done in the Republican. A political party can no longer endure in this nation "half slave and half free."

If Mr. Wilson aligns himself with the progressives of his party, the powerful state bosses will force an issue that will disrupt the party. If he follows the footsteps of Taft, the progressive voters of his party will revolt just as the Progressives have already done in the Republican party And even Mr. Wilson's consummate skill at balancing cannot keep these two forces long together in one organization, with the militant Progressive party leading the cause of humanity and battering at the walls of privilege.

This is written in the hurry of election night, with only fragmentary returns upon which to form judgment But enough is known to make it plain that the Progressive party has been firmly established as one of the great parties of the nation. And this is in itself a notable victory, for it gives assurance that the future of this country is in the hands of those who believe in genuine representative government and the cause of human rights.


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## INTERESTING TEACHERS' INSTITUTE

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tertaining talk on "The Nature and Worth of Wit and Humor."

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Dr. R. R. Teitrick, of the State Department gave a most helpful talk on "The Teacher's Problems." He declared that the most delicate, difficult and important work in the world is the work of the teacher; that the most wonderful, most beautiful, most useful subject of toil in the world is the child—the teachers problem A noble character is the most admirable thing on earth and a good man is the finest ripened fruit that earth holds up to heaven.

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**Wednesday Evening**

The lecture on Wednesday evening by Dr. John Merritte Driver on "America Facing the Far East," was a magnificent effort. Dr. Driver's lecture is probably not a popular lecture but it is great in thought and well delivered. Whether one agrees with him in his view of the origin, mission and destiny of the Jew, the negro, and the gentile, he must acknowledge that the lecture presents a great field for thought, and deals with important questions.

Before the lecturer was introduced Miss Irma Wells, of Smethport sang for the Institute, The audience manifested great appreciation of the singing as they did for her reading during the afternoon Miss Wells has added very much to the pleasure of the teachers during their institute by her singing and reading

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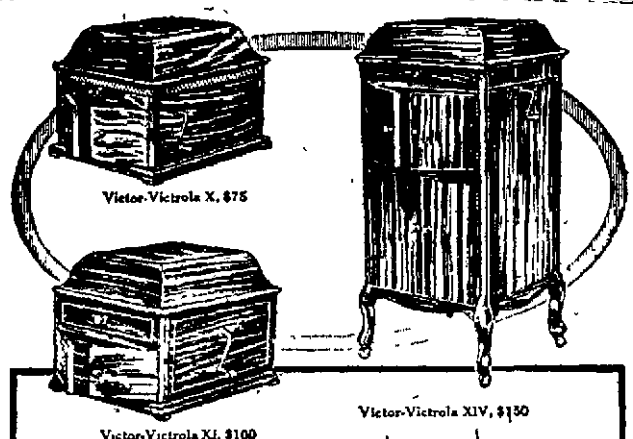


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## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

oseph Holder has accepted a on as clerk in the store of Fry mes.

Miss Flora Hogarth has been con- to the house for the past week liness.

Bad weather cut down the big gs on the first day of the hunt eason.

Mrs. Maria Carter has moved into house she recently purchased A. B. Armstrong.

Oscar Engstrom has purchased V. D. Gallup block on Main street h he now occupies.

The Epworth League held a can- ale in McCoy's drug store Tues- afternoon, which was well patron-

Every time a man loses $20 play- joker, says the Washington Post, onders what makes his wife such extravagant housekeeper.

A party of girls had a very enjoy- evening in the Parish house at uke's on Hallowe'en. All appear- a Hollowe'en costume and all the ime games and tricks were play-

The Stichery held a well attend- ueeting in the M. E. chapel on Fri- evening. A goodly amount of k was accomplished and refresh- its were served by Mesdames Rob- Cooper, D. M. Cooper and James is.

On Tuesday, Nov. 12, the play- g public of Smethport will have opportunity of seeing Whitney ins' latest dramatic effort, "Sun- net Sue" and those looking for a ding American play, filled with and action should not fail to p it.

C. W. Shattuck, of this place, and Rice, of Eldred, returned home iday evening from a big game ting trip in the Adirondacks and brought with him a big buck. deer killed by Mr. Rice weighed pounds and the one killed by Mr. tuck tipped the scales at 160 ds.

The Travellers' club held its reg- meeting in the club house Satur- afternoon. The program was as ws: "Woman Leaders in the Po- al Field," Mrs. D. C. Young; Ech- from the Year's Political Conven- , Mrs. Guy H. McCoy; American ensbip, Mrs. Thomas A. Morri-

Charles H. Curtis of Keating tship had a valuable dog badly ded by hunters on his farm a days ago. The animal had evi- ly run into the woods with the ing dogs and the hunter or hunt- killed him with a charge of shot, dless of the fact that they were assers and the dog had a better on the ground than they. Any- one who will wound a dog in that manner and let the poor dumb brute suffer should be prosecuted by the humane society, but anyone who will shoot a man's dog while trespassing on his land should be doubly prose- cuted.

—Smethport cast an unusually large vote last Tuesday—389 in all and the following is how our people voted on the most interesting part of the ticket. For President: Taft, 140; Wilson, 93; Roosevelt, 131. For Congress: Pat- ton, 207; Gleason, 119. For State Sen- ator: Baldwin, 179; Hilton, 131; Cov- ey, 43. For Assembly: Hoffman, 142; Redfield, 241; McGregor, 92; Knight, 47.

—A diamond weighing 1649 carats has been discovered in the Premier mine, Johannesburg, South Africa. This is the largest diamond in the world. The famous Cullian diamond, which was found in the same mine in 1905, weighed 3024 carats, but was cut into eleven separate stones. The diamond just found, when cut, may prove not to be so large as the Cull an diamond.

—James S. Sherman was the sev- enth vice president to die in office. Of the six previous deaths, four oc- curred in November. The men were George Clinton, of New York, aged 73; Elbridge Gerry, of Massachu- setts, aged 70; William R. King, of Alabama, aged 67; Henry A. Wilson, of Massachusetts, aged 63; Thomas A. Hendricks, of Indiana, aged 66, and Garret A. Hobart, of New Jersey, aged 55.

—The Epworth League gave a very successful and entertaining Hallow- e'en social on Thursday evening. Nearly one hundred were in attend- ence, the greater part appearing in fancy costume—witches, ghosts, In- dians, clowns, negroes, nurses, Quak- ers and politicians appearing on friendly terms. After the guests un- masked and disclosed their identity, various Hallowe'en games were play- ed and refreshments served.

—Albert C. Schamel, of Olean, aged 20, was killed in a runaway on the Schamel farm two miles from Olean where he went for a load of hay. This he had on the wagon and start- ed to climb on the front end of the load when the team started. They ran into the highway and into a tree. He clung to the tongue of the wagon until it hit the tree, then he was thrown off and the wheels ran over his hips, both of which were crush- ed.

—James Miller, proprietor of the Lewisburg garage, while on his way to Montandon Sunday morning to meet the Bucknell football team, re- turning from Lafayette, was struck by a Reading passenger train. His auto was demolished, but Miller miracu- lously escaped. He was thrown to the side of the track, where he was found by his brother, who was fol- lowing in another auto. Miller's in- juries consist mostly of cuts, caused by broken flying glass.

—Mr. Kerr, of Bridgeport, was a business visitor in Mt. Jewett Thurs- day. Mr. Kerr is interested in the moving picture business at Smeth- port, Clermont and Hazelhurst, and within the recent past has made a large addition to his seating capacity of his place of amusement in Hazel- hurst, and otherwise improved it. It is now possible to use the build- ing for balls, parties and other pur- poses, and must prove popular with the community, and profitable to the owner.—Mt. Jewett Herald.

—Hon. Joseph C. Sibley, the Franklin multi-millionaire, is adver- tising in the papers of this section that he will give away free to farm- ers of this neighborhood, blue-blood- ed Jersey male calves for breeding purposes. There are conditions to the gifts that have not been given out, but those who desire such a present will have them made known when they apply for a gift of the ani- mals. It is understood that Mr. Sib- ley presents the Jerseys simply for the purpose of benefitting his friends and to improve the native stock of cattle.

—"A Play with a Punch," that is al- most a complete description of "Sun- bonnet Sue" the play which will be offered at the Lyceum theatre for one night, Tuesday, November 12, 1912. This play is the latest offering of the Park Play Co., the firm that never had a failure and "Sunbonnet Sue" seems destined to enjoy even greater suc- cess than any of their former attrac- tions. A splendid modern story, free from the usual, stereotyped situa- tions and bristling with good, clean comedy, many startling and unusual effects and presented by a company of capable artists. That is the com- bination that has already made "Sun- bonnet Sue" one of the reigning suc- cesses of the season.

—A son has been born to Mr. and Mrs. John E. Geraghty and it is thought that the event will be the means of bringing about a complete reconciliation between Mrs. Geragh- ty, formerly Miss Julia French, daugh- ter of Mr. and Mrs. Amos Tuck French of Newport, and a niece of Mrs. Elsie French Vanderbilt, and all of her relatives with whom she has been separated since her marriage. There has been a partial reconcilia- tion between Mrs. Geraghty and her mother and family for some days. She has been taken to ride afternoons and yesterday she was reported as visiting her mother's home for the first time since her elopement, which caused a big stir in social circles here in August, 1911.

## PERSONAL MENTION.

Mrs. John Summergill was an Ole- an visitor Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Cooper were Bradford visitors Friday.

Dr. W. A. Ostrander was a Bradford business visitor Saturday.

C. H. Curtis was a business visitor at St. Marys over Sunday.

Fred McFall, of Eldred, was a Smethport visitor yesterday.

T. H. Purtle was a Bradford busi- ness visitor several days last week.

Miss Dorothy Hecker, of Kushequa spent Sunday with the Misses Free- man.

Ed. Engstrom and Alfred Bush were home from Hazelhurst Tuesday to vote.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Burdick have returned from a short visit in Phila- delphia.

Carlton Lilgendahl has returned from a short visit with friends in Ridgway.

Miss Vinnie Campbell has been the guest of her parents in Eldred for a few days.

Miss Flo McIntyre, of Simpson was the guest of Miss Georgia Preston over Sunday.

Mrs. W. A. Ostrander and daugh- ter, Lucile Marshall, were Olean visi- tors Saturday.

Mrs. Hadsell, of Ormsby was the guest of her sister, Mrs. D. M. Coop- er, last Saturday.

Miss Mary McCabe of Bradford was the guest of her mother, Mrs. Ellen McCabe, last week.

Francis Hussey is spending the week with his grandmother, Mrs. Mary Hussey, in Bolivar.

Mrs. Scott F. Redfield left on Tues- day for Troy, N. Y., where she will visit friends for some time.

Ed and Scott McClure who are em- ployed by the State Highway Depart- ment came home Tuesday to vote.

T. F. Quirk who has been the guest of relatives and friends in this place left Monday for Mannington, W. Va.

Miss Winifred Roeder of Farmers Valley, has gone to Wilmington, Del. and other places on a lecturing tour.

Miss Mildred Lyle has returned from Kane where she has completed a course of training in the Kane hos- pital.

Mrs. Fred Hungiville and son, Wil- liam have returned home from a visit with Mrs. Frank Creighton in Ridg- way.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Strong and chil- dren returned home on Tuesday from a visit to his parents in Friendship, N. Y.

Mrs. C. C. Choat, and son, Homer, left Monday for Uniontown, Pa. where they will make an extended visit with her parents.

Miss Rita Roeder, of Farmers Val- ley was the guest of relatives and friends in Olean and Portville from Saturday until Monday.

R. R. Lindsley, who has been trav- eling with the Fred Misors' circus as band leader for the past six months, returned home Tuesday.

The Rev. Elmer S. Beacom left yes- terday for East Rochester, N. Y., and expects to return the latter part of the week with Mrs. Beacom and in- fant son.

Ex-County Commissioner, Geo. Grif- fith of Kane, brought the election re- turns from Kane yesterday and was renewing acquaintances with his many friends in town.

Mr. and Mrs. John Forrest and Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Mitchell have return- ed from a visit with Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Mitchell in Erie. The trip was made in the Forrest car.

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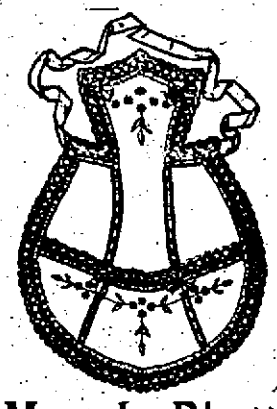

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# A THANKSGIVING SURPRISE

### What Happened When "Julie" Visited Langdon Farm

By JOE CONE

Dear Father and Mother—I shall be home the day before Thanksgiving, to stay the rest of the week. Julie is coming down with me, and I hope you will like her. She is a dream. Your affectionate son, MILLS.

Such was the note that found its way to a low roofed farmhouse situated on the outskirts of a New England village some seventy miles from the university city. Confusion reigned supreme in the little home when the elder Langdon returned from the postoffice, bringing the above information. The letter had been passed round the little sitting room table, with its red cover and its kerosene lamp, and had been read over and over by Mrs. Langdon, the student's mother and her niece Jeanette. Mr. Langdon, after disposing of his hat, coat and heavy boots, read the note again.

"Julie is coming down with me, and I hope you will like her; she is a dream," he repeated slowly, looking at his wife inquiringly.

"He has never written to me about any Julie, nor even hinted about one when he's been home," she answered, in reply to his look. "I hope he ain't gone and married somebody on the quiet; they do such queer things in college nowadays," she added nervously, giving a side look of concern at the sweet faced girl opposite.

"I don't believe he's gone and done anything so foolish as that," returned the father.

"Could you imagine him bringing a girl, a stranger, here and not being married to her?" she queried.

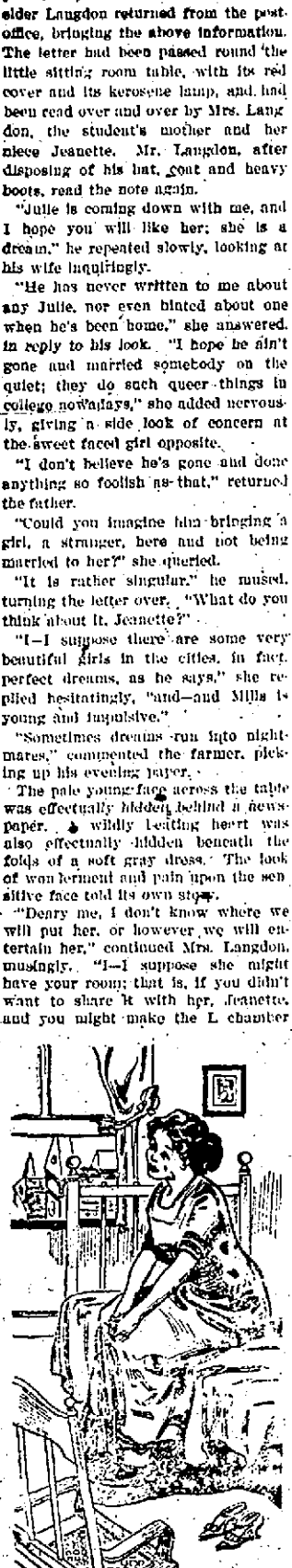
"It is rather singular," he mused, turning the letter over. "What do you think about it, Jeanette?"

"I—I suppose there are some very beautiful girls in the cities, in fact, perfect dreams, as he says," she replied hesitatingly, "and—and Mills is young and impulsive."

"Sometimes dreams run into nightmares," commented the farmer, picking up his evening paper.

The pale young face across the table was effectually hidden behind a newspaper. A wildly beating heart was also effectually hidden beneath the folds of a soft gray dress. The look of woe, ferment and pain upon the sensitive face told its own story.

"Denry me, I don't know where we will put her, or however we will entertain her," continued Mrs. Langdon, musingly. "I—I suppose she might have your room; that is, if you didn't want to share it with her, Jeanette, and you might make the L chamber



"THIS BLOW IS CRUEL," SHE WHISPERED TO HERSELF.

do for the time being," she added, addressing the daughter of her only sister, some years deceased.

"She can have my room and welcome," said the white faced girl, with effort, from behind the paper.

"But you thought perhaps they were married," suggested Mr. Langdon.

"I am merely trying to arrange things to meet all conditions; we are wholly in the dark," said the practical mother.

"Well, as far as entertaining her is concerned, if they are just married they'll entertain each other, and if they're merely engaged Mills won't give anybody but himself a chance to do any entertaining," declared the father reminiscently.

The evening, usually devoted to books and papers, was mostly given over to discussing the prospective daughter-in-law, and plans for a more elaborate Thanksgiving dinner than they had already decided upon. Pending tiredness, the girl stole off to her sleeping room earlier than usual, to be alone with her distracting thoughts.

"The very last thing he said to me before kissing me goodby at the station was, 'I will never see anybody half so sweet, or whom I can love as I love you, Jeanette.' I would feel so if he had only written me about her, but this blow is cruel," she whispered to herself. She repeated the last words he had said to her over and over again, till she heard the distant town clock striking 12.

By the middle of the afternoon preparations for the next day's dinner were well under way. The pies were baked to a nicety—apple, mince and pumpkin. The cranberry sauce was made and put away to jelly, and the monstrous turkey was stuffed and ready to roast the following morning. Mills and Julie were due to arrive at 4 o'clock. Jeanette had refused an offer to accompany Mr. Langdon to the station to meet the young couple. "I will never see her," she had declared again and again under her breath, and her one idea now was to live up to her determination.

The slow branch train had pulled into the little depot, and two husky young fellows, attired in typical student clothes, alighted from the smoker, one rushing up to the watchful old man on the platform with, "Dad, how are you?"

"Where is—is she?" queried the farmer, grasping the outstretched hand, but looking puzzled.

"She? Whom do you mean, dad? Oh, yes; I remember—Julie. Ha, ha! Julie, this is my father, Selectman Langdon of our district. Selectman Langdon, this is Julie. Shake!"

The two men shook, Julie laughing heartily, the elder Langdon still looking puzzled.

"He is Julie in our play, dad, that is to be pulled off in the spring, but his real name is Arthur Morgan. But isn't he a dream, dad?"

"Well, mother 'll be most awful surprised, boy. She's most had a conniption; thought you was bringing home either a bride or a bride-to-be," and on the way home Mr. Langdon informed them of the surprise the note created and of the extra preparations under way. "Why," he added, "she and Jeanette have gone so far as to get a bridal chamber, or a bride-to-be chamber, all fixed up," and the old man chuckled heartily.

Young Langdon started perceptibly when Jeanette's name was mentioned, and pictures of her sweet, disturbed countenance flashed through his mind. How had she taken the joke? A feeling of impending gloom took possession of him. Finally, to know the worst, he put the question:

"How is Jeanette, dad?"

"Oh, she's fine; chipper as a lark and smart as a cricket."

Then his vanity felt hurt. Perhaps, after all, she had only a cousinly regard for him. Frequently he had had misgivings as to where their secret love affair might lead them. They were own cousins, and he knew that complications would follow an open declaration of their attachment. They had never known any other lovers, and the climax came when they parted at the station a few weeks before.

They were now nearing the house, and in a few minutes Farmer Langdon had pulled up at the front gate. Mrs. Langdon hurried down the walk to meet them, and her surprise and consternation, to say nothing of her relief, when she beheld the real Julie were greater even than had been her good husband's at the depot.

"Mercy save alive, Mills, we thought you had gone and done it!" she exclaimed. "You said you hoped I'd like 'her!' I know I shall," and she gave Julie's hand a regular old home squeeze.

"Where's Jeanette, mother?" queried Mills, looking round anxiously.

"Why, I thought she was coming out right behind me," answered Mrs. Langdon, looking round in surprise.

They were soon inside the house, and repeated calls up the front and back stairs brought no response. A half hour went by in waiting, when Mrs. Langdon ascended the stairs in search of her niece. A moment later a frightened exclamation from his mother brought Mills bounding up the stairs.

"My son," she exclaimed, "what does this mean?"

Mills, white to the lips, took the proffered note. It read, "Goodby; I shall never see 'her.'"

After a weary night of search and anxiety Mills and his father returned to the farmhouse, unrewarded by so much as a clew. She had called at none of the neighbors, nor had she been seen by any one whom they questioned. All of the barns and outbuildings had been searched thoroughly, and the immediate woods had been tramped by the aid of lanterns.

When Mrs. Langdon set about preparing a cheerless breakfast she noticed for the first time that some of her choice Thanksgiving supplies were missing. A sigh of relief went over the household, for it was evident that the girl had not intended to make away with herself. After a hurried breakfast a systematic search began.

The Langdon home was situated between two rivers which come together several miles below the house. Young Morgan was sent to the southward, since by following the river shore down and back he could not lose himself in the unfamiliar country. Before starting he had taken a long look at Jeanette's photograph and had inquired of Mrs. Langdon as to her costume.

"Gee!" he mused. "A girl with a face like that is worth looking after. I hope I find her first. Mills deserves to lose for sending such a note, if—if she really loved him."

Near the junction of the rivers a few hours later Morgan found a lonely hut with a small window in the rear and a door facing the river. He tried the door, but it was locked. Finding a stick of timber, he placed it against the wall and peeped through the window, getting a glimpse of a white face with staring eyes. He went to the door and pounded on it, but there was no response.

Again he pounded and called "Jeanette, Miss Jeanette!" He had failed to inquire the last name of his chum's cousin. Still no response, but he was sure he heard a slight noise within. Again he hammered, and again he called, adding, "If you don't open the door I'll burst it in!"

This time he was rewarded by a faint, "Who are you?"

"I'm Julie—I mean Arthur Morgan, a friend of Mills."

A long silence ensued, during which the young man became anxious.

"Come, open the door, please," he entreated, to which there was no reply. Fearing that something had befallen the occupant, he seized the short piece of plank and brought it endwise with great force against the door. The shambly thing flew open, and in the center of the room was a spectacle which, under ordinary circumstances, would have filled him

A TEAR STAINED GIRL STOOD IN DEFIANT ATTITUDE.

with laughter. A sweet faced, tear stained young girl stood in a defiant attitude, with a pumpkin pie raised with both hands high above her head, ready to bring it down upon the intruder. She stood as one spellbound, her hair falling about her shoulders, and had not young Morgan caught her she would have fallen, pie and all, to the floor.

"Miss—Miss Jeanette, what does it all mean?" he added, leading her to the air. "They are all terribly upset about you."

She made no reply, but, still leaning upon him, showed signs of hysteria.

"I suppose I am most to blame," he said reproachfully. "Had it not been for me or my foolish nickname this never would have happened."

"You—you. Why you?" she asked.

"Because I am Julie in the play, you know. Still, I should have thought Mills would have known better than to have sent the note the way he did."

"And it's all a mistake?"

"Yes; at least his part of it was. He might have known how it would have affected you, seeing you were engaged, and"—

"But we aren't," she interrupted, straightening up. "But I was foolish, oh, so foolish, to have cared so much. And I was ashamed to go back. After all, we're but cousins, and I took our love all too seriously."

She was leaning against the door now, and Morgan thought he had never seen so beautiful a picture.

"We are all thankful it is no worse," he said, "and the next thing is for us to get back to the farm. They are about distracted."

"I am ready to go," she said wearily. "Can you stand the jaunt?"

"I feel weak, very weak."

"Have you eaten anything today?" he queried.

"No; not a mouthful."

"Well, I'm hungry as a bear, and I guess a bite won't do you any harm. Suppose we have a little Thanksgiving dinner in advance of the big one at the house."

She blushed deeper than before, but took the seat he proffered her, as well as the generous piece of pie which he cut with his pocketknife. Then he fell upon the pie ravenously, and silence reigned for a moment. The humor of the situation dawned upon both.

"Gee," he declared laughingly, "this is great! I only hope Mills won't drop in and spoil our little dinner. All we need are a little turkey and cranberry sauce to make this the real thing."

She quickly caught his spirit and laughed sweetly.

"And so you are the terrible Julie?" she queried, trying to take him in by a stolen glance.

"Yes, and I hope you are going to like 'her,'" he answered quizzically.

"Better than I thought I ever could," was her reply.

## SADDLE MAKING IN MEXICO.

### Entire Families Often Take Part in the Home Industry.

The making of saddles, while in the aggregate an important local Mexican industry, is purely a home affair, the artisans for the most part working independently in their own homes and often pressing the entire family into service. The manager of the largest wholesale and retail dealers in saddles in Mexico City says that all the saddles which they handle are made locally at home by hand, and he estimates that more than 100 families in the city are similarly employed.

Many of these handmade saddles are handsomely carved and most creditable in appearance, although the leather as a rule is far inferior to that used in American saddles. It is the practice of peddlers to furnish the trees, leather and fittings of all kinds to the workmen and pay them for their actual labor. The labor is the cheapest item entering into saddle construction, many entire families being satisfied with a wage of 50 cents to $1 American currency per day.

The saddletrees used for the better grade of saddle are imported from the state of Colima, the cheaper grade of saddles using a tree of local make. No American saddles or saddletrees are carried in stock by local merchants, but are ordered from time to time according to the specifications of the individual purchaser.—Trade and Consular Reports.

## ROLLING THUNDER.

### Why the Rumble at Times Is So Long Drawn Out.

The prolonged roll of thunder is readily explained by comparison with a volley fired along a line of troops.

Suppose troops to be drawn up on a line in such numbers as to extend for a mile and ordered by a signal that all could see to fire at once. One standing at the end of the line would hear the report of the musket nearest him instantly. He would hear the others successively. Thus a report 550 feet away would come to him in half a second, and he would not hear the last report for five or six seconds after the gun had been fired. This would produce a sort of roll, which would gradually increase in intensity.

If the listener stood exactly midway between the two ends of the line the reports from both ends would reach him at once, and the sound would be but half as long in reaching him as if he stood at one extremity. If the soldiers formed a circle there would be one sharp explosion.

Flashes of lightning may be considered as representing three lines of troops along which the explosions occur at the same time. Consider the variety of distance and position of the listener and we account for the variety of sound in thunder. In mountainous regions the rolling is augmented by reverberations or echoes.

### Pharaohs Had the Hookworm.

The hookworm has been preying on man perhaps for thousands of years. A papyrus written 3,400 years ago contains a description of a disease in Egypt which many physicians declare was the hookworm disease. It describes it too accurately to be anything else. In recent times it was observed in Egypt first in 1833, but the first recorded treatment was made in 1887. Whether or not malaria was one of the chief causes of the downfall of Greece and Rome, it is very certain that hookworm disease has played a part in Asiatic history. The anemic condition of millions of people, century after century, has profoundly affected their economic life, their intellectual qualities, their social habits and ideals and their religion. Of that there can be no doubt.—World's Work.

### How She Jogged Memory.

Little Marjorie was taking her first lessons in dancing. The teacher noticed that Marjorie always failed to put out her left foot when commanded to do so. The teacher was patient and thought Marjorie would learn in time, but a number of lessons did not seem to make her know when to put out her left foot. Marjorie would put out that foot when the other children were placing their right feet foremost. Finally the teacher asked Marjorie for an explanation.

"Well, you see," said Marjorie, "I've got a hollow place in a tooth on the left side, and I always have to find that hollow place with my tongue to find out which is my left foot."—Indianapolis News.

### Silenced.

"What did you mean by starting the story that I was an unbeliever in the Scriptures?" asked the deacon in great wrath.

"Well, deekin," said the man who had originated the report, "you know you told me that all you said about that hoss I bought was as true as gospill. An' you know how true it was."

"Er—ah," said the deacon.

### Didn't Go In.

"I see you passed a candy store on your way home this evening."

"How in the world did you know that?"

"Because you didn't bring any candy with you."—Houston Post.

### Spiteful.

"I'd like to see the man who could persuade me to promise to love, honor and obey him," said Miss Wellaloink.

"I don't blame you," replied the pert young bride.—Chicago Record-Herald.

There is not a single moment in life that we can afford to lose.—Goulburn.

## DOOMED HIMSELF.

### Chief Shavehead Boasted Once Too Often of His Deeds of Blood.

J. Seymour Currey in "The Story of Old Fort Dearborn" describes the massacre of the garrison of the old fort and tells of one instance of poetic justice for the Indians' butchery.

"Bloody retribution," says Mr. Currey, "overtook one of the savages who on the day of the massacre showed no mercy to his victims. This was a chief known as a deadly enemy of the whites and who bore the expressive name of Shavehead because of his peculiar manner of tying up his scanty hair.

"Years afterward Chief Shavehead was in company with a band of hunters in the Michigan woods. In the party was a white man who had formerly been a soldier at Fort Dearborn and was one of the survivors of the battle on the lake shore. At one of the campfires the chief, being of a boastful disposition, related while under the influence of liquor to those sitting about the campfire the frightful tale concerning the events of that day, dwelling upon its horrors and boasting of his own deeds.

"He was not aware that one of the whites whom he had so fiercely assailed was at that moment listening to his braggart utterances. The old soldier as he heard the tale was maddened by the recall of the well remembered scene.

"Toward nightfall the old savage departed alone in the direction of the forest. Silently the soldier with loaded rifle followed upon his steps. Others observed them as they passed out of sight into the shades of the forest. The soldier returned after a time to his companions, but Shavehead was never seen again."

## PROPOSALS IN JAPAN.

### Quaint Custom of Placing a Plant in an Empty Flowerpot.

In some of the Japanese islands, in houses wherein reside one or more daughters of a marriageable age, an empty flowerpot of an ornamental character is encircled by a ring and suspended from the window or veranda by three light chains.

The Juliets of Japan are, of course, as attractive to the Romeos as those of other lands. But instead of serenades by moonlight and other delicate ways of making an impression it is etiquette for the Japanese lover to approach the dwelling of his lady bearing some choice plant in his hand, which he boldly proceeds to plant in the empty vase.

This takes place at a time when he is fully assured that both mother and daughter are at home, neither of whom, of course, is at all conscious that the young man is taking such a liberty with the flowerpot outside their window. This act of placing a pretty plant in the empty flowerpot is equivalent to a formal proposal to the young lady who dwells within.

The youthful gardener, having settled his plant to his mind, retires, and the lady is free to act as she pleases. If he is the right man she takes every care of the gift, waters it and tends it carefully with her own hands, that all the world may see the donor is accepted as a suitor. But if he is not a favorite or if stern parents object the poor plant is torn from the vase and the next morning lies limp and withered on the veranda or on the path below.

## THE MIGHTY ONION.

### A Tribute to This Vegetable With Artistic Temperament.

Kill the onion and you leave a gap in the universe. Kill anything else and there is a substitute. The potato is akin to the cereals; squash and beans and turnips and cauliflower are of the same family; beans are elongated peas; the lemon is a pessimistic orange, beef reincarnated grass, watermelons just the survivor of a very cool cucumber, and so on.

But the onion is sui generis, alone, unique, triumphant. It is a special creation to tempt the palate of a world.

The onion proves the futility of man's wisdom. He might have gone at everything else under the sun, but he would have never guessed the onion. Science may deduce a new thing before it becomes visible or rediscovery, but this superb, starry vegetable would have remained uninvented forever had not its own pungent yet not bashful quality forced themselves into tear brimming eyes and liquescent anticipatory lips.

With what a mixture of gratitude and awe should we view the species of nature turning her energies to the transmuting of mere clay into a delectable with an artistic temperament.—Richmond Times-Dispatch.

## HELD BY A COBRA.

### Agony of a Prisoner In a Military Cell In India.

In the military cantonments of India the punishment cells, which are about fourteen feet high by twelve feet square, stand separately. There are no windows, but one side is a grille, the iron bars being about two inches apart.

On one occasion when a private soldier confined in one of them a large cobra, one of the most deadly reptiles in India, crawled between the bars and wriggled on to the bed to get warm. It curled upon the prisoner's chest, and he was just about to turn over when, feeling the unusual weight, he beheld the snake's glittering eyes staring into his face. He dared not move, and had to lie in that position for hours.

At 8 o'clock, when the sergeant made his rounds, he saw the position the prisoner was in and went for a long stick. With another soldier he entered the cell, and they drove the snake into a corner, where they killed it. The colonel released the prisoner, who he thought he had suffered enough punishment in the terrible experience he had gone through. The man's hair had turned white with the mental strain which he had endured.—London Standard.

### Sounds So.

"How oddly the man cleaning machinery talks."

"How do you mean?"

"I heard him telling his helper to save the waste."—Baltimore American.

### Nose For News.

"That man is an inveterate golfer and he has a perfect genius for striking out squally times in families."

"Then his is something of a self-centerer."—Exchange.

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## STOR RUSSELL'S VIEWS.

**rches of All Denominations and the vil Powers of Earth Are About to nite in Common Cause—Powerful fluence Preparing For the Battle Armageddon—A Reign of Anarchy ill Be the Result of the Warfare til The Messiah Takes Control.**

Brooklyn, N. Y. Nov. 3.—The Brooklyn Academy of Music was crowded to the limit today to hear Pastor Russell's discourse on the "Battle of Armageddon." His text was: "He gathered them together unto a placed called in the Hebrew tongue Armageddon." Revelation xvi, 16.) The speaker said Armageddon in the Hebrew signifies "Hill of Megiddo," or Mount of Destruction. It was famous as a battlefield in Old Testament times.

The Lord has seen fit to associate the name Armageddon, with the great controversy between Truth and Error, right and wrong, God and Mammon, which this Age will close, perish and the New Age of Messiah's glory be ushered in. He has purposely used highly symbolical figures of speech in the last book of the Bible, evidently with a view to hiding certain important truths until the due time for their unfoldment. But even in the due time, the Bible assures us, "None of the wicked shall understand" (Daniel xii, 10) none who are out of heart harmony with God—but only the wise of the people the "wise virgin" class of the Master's parables.

I have long avoided presentation of my understanding of our text and its context. I take it up now by request and because I believe it is due time to be understood. I disclaim any special inspiration. In some particulars my views agree with those of other Bible students, and in other respects they disagree. Each hearer must use his own judgment, do his own Bible study, and reach his own conclusions. Kindly remember that I am not responsible for the figures of speech used. The Lord. My interpretations do indeed constitute a terrible arraignment of institutions which we have all revered and which embrace good people, good words and good works. God's dimly people in these various institutions, being comparatively few, are ignored when systems as a whole are dealt with in prophecy.

**The Dragon, Beast, False Prophet.**

Our context tells us that three impure spirits (teachings) will go forth from the mouths of the Dragon, the Beast and the False Prophet, and these three will be in accord, and symbolically the doctrines are represented by "frogs." These three doctrines are to have a mighty influence throughout the civilized earth. They are to gather the kings and their armies to the great battle of Armageddon.

The ecclesiastical kings and princes, and their retinues of clergy and faithful adherents, will be gathered in solid phalanx—Protestant and Catholic. The kings and captains of industry, and as many as can be influenced by them, will be gathered to the same side. The political kings and princes, with all their henchmen and retainers, will follow in line on the same side. The financial kings and merchant princes, and all whom they can influence by the most gigantic power ever yet exercised in the world, will join the same side, according to this prophecy.

These "doctrines of demons," represented by the "frogs," will lead many noble people in this great army to assume an attitude quite contrary to their preference. For a time the wheels of liberty and progress will be turned backward and medieval restraints will be considered necessary for self-preservation—for the maintenance of the present order of things.

In giving this interpretation, it is necessary for us to indicate what is symbolized by the Dragon, the Beast, and the False Prophet. Bible students of nearly all denominations agree with us that the "Dragon" of Revelation represents the purely Civil Power. Protestant interpreters generally agree that the "Beast like a leopard" (Revelation xiii, 2) represents the Papacy. But fewer still, we fear, will be ready to support our view that Protestantism is the "Image of the Beast" (Revelation xiii, 15), in our context given another name, "the False Prophet." We urge no one to accept our interpretation, nor shall we think hard of any who refuse it. We will neither slander nor otherwise injure them now, nor threaten them with eternal torture. They have the same right to their views that I have, and the same right to make them known to others. And I, for one, will be very glad to consider anything which opponents may set forth as their interpretations of our text.

**"Unclean Spirits Like Frogs."**

The symbolisms of Scripture, rightly understood, are always forceful. When the Holy Spirit used a "frog" to symbolically represent certain doctrines or teachings, we may be sure the true application will fit well. A frog has a sage look, a wise look. It swells itself up in an apparent endeavor to impress the beholder. Its great mouth well represents its chief power, used to croak.

Applying these symbols, we learn that an evil spirit, influence, teaching, will come from the Protestant churches federated, from the Church of Rome, and from the Civil authorities, all in full agreement. The spirit of all will be boastful; an air of superior wisdom and knowledge will be proudly assumed—all will croak in harmony. All will tell of dire results that would follow, involving the interests of both the present and the future life, if their counsel be not followed. However conflicting the creeds, the differences will be ignored in the general proposition that nothing ancient must be disturbed, or looked into, or repudiated.

The Divine authority of the Church, and the Divine right of kings, aside from the Church, will not be allowed to conflict. Any persons, or teachings in conflict with these boastful and unscriptural claims will be branded as everything *vile*, at the mouths of these "frogs" speaking from pulpits and platforms and through the religious and secular press. The nobler sentiments of some will be stimulated by the philosophy of the same evil spirit which spoke through Caiphas, the high priest, respecting Jesus. As Caiphas declared it expedient to commit a crime in violation of justice, human and Divine, to be rid of Jesus and His teachings, so this "frog" spirit will approve of every violation of principle necessary to their self protection.

The croaking of these "frog" spirits or doctrines will gather the kings and princes financial, political, religious and industrial into one great army. The spirit of fear inspired by the croakings of these "frogs," will scourge the passions of otherwise good and reasonable men to fury, desperation. In their blind following of these evil spirits, or doctrines, they will be ready to sacrifice *life* and everything on the altar of what they mistakenly suppose is justice, truth and righteousness under a Divine arrangement.

For a brief time, as we understand the Scriptures, these combined forces of Armageddon will triumph. Free speech, free mails, and other liberties which have come to be the very breath of the masses in our day, will be ruthlessly snuffed out under the plea of necessity, the glory of God, the commands of the Church, etc. All will seem to be serene, until the great social explosion in our context described as the "great Earthquake." An "earthquake," in symbolic language, signifies social revolution, and the declaration of the context is that none like unto it ever before occurred. (Revelation xvi, 18, 19.) Jesus described it as a time of trouble such as never was since there was a nation.—Matthew xxiv, 21.

**The Lord Will Gather Them.**

The false, frog-like teachings will gather together into one host the great, the rich, the wise, the learned and the kings of the earth, to battle. At this juncture Divine Power will step forward, and our text tells us that *HE* shall gather the marshaled hosts to Armageddon—to the Mountain of Destruction. The very thing which they sought to avert by their union, federation, etc., will be the very thing they will hasten. Other Scriptures tell us that God will be represented by the Great Messiah, and that He will be on the side of the masses. Thus we read in Daniel xii, 1: "At that time shall Michael (the Godlike One—Messiah) stand up"—assume authority. He will take possession of His Kingdom in a manner little looked for by many of those who erroneously have been claiming that they were His Kingdom, and authorized by Him to reign in His name and in His stead.

Jesus declared, "His servants ye are unto whom ye render service." Some may be rendering service to Satan and to error, who claim to be rendering service to God and to righteousness; and some of these may be serving ignorantly, as did Saul of Tarsus, who "verily thought that he did God a service" in persecuting the Church. The same principle holds true reversely. As an earthly king does not hold himself responsible for the moral character of each soldier who fights in his battles, so the Lord does not vouch for the moral character of all who will enlist and fight on His side of any question. "His servants they are to whom they render service," whatever the motive or object prompting them.

The same principles will apply in the coming Battle of Armageddon. God's side of that battle will be the people's side, and the very nondescript host, the people, will be pitted at the beginning of the battle. Anarchists, Socialists, and hot-headed radicals of every school of reason and unreason, will be in the forefront of that battle. The majority of the poor and the middle class prefer peace at almost any price. A comparatively small number, God's consecrated people, will at heart be longing for Messiah's Kingdom. These will bide the Lord's time and wait patiently for it; they will be of good courage, knowing the *outcome* outlined in the "more sure word of prophecy," to which they have done well to take heed, "as unto a light shining in a dark place until the Day dawn."—II Peter i, 19.

The masses will be restless of their restraints, but will be conscious of their own weakness as compared to the kings and princes, financial, religious and political, which will then hold sway. Besides, the masses have no sympathy with anarchy. They realize truly that the worst form of government is better than none. The masses will seek relief through the ballot and peaceful readjustment of earth's affairs for the elimination of evil, for the placing of monopolies and utilities and the surplus of nature in the hands of the people for the public good. The crisis will be reached when the hitherto upholders of law shall become violators of the law and resisters of the will of the majority as expressed by the ballot. Fear for the future will lead the well-meaning masses to desperation; and anarchy will result when Socialism fails.

**The Cloud's Silver Lining.**

Horrible would be this outlook for the future did we not have the infallible Word of God assuring us of a glorious outcome! Divine Wisdom has withheld until our day the great knowledge and skill which is at the same time breeding millionaires and discontents. Had God lifted the veil a thousand years sooner, the world would have lined up for its Armageddon a thousand years sooner. But that would have been too soon for the Divine purpose, because Messiah's Kingdom is to be the great Thousand-Year-Sabbath of the world's history. God in kindness veiled our eyes until the time when the gathering to Armageddon would immediately precede Messiah's taking to Himself His great power, and beginning His reign.—Revelation xi, 17, 18.

**"Send Them Strong Delusions."**

St. Paul wrote prophetically of our time, that it would be one of serious trial and testing to many professing to be Christians. The reason for this he states—they received not the Truth in the love of it. (II Thessalonians ii, 10, 11.) They preferred their own erroneous theories, the Apostle explains, and therefore God will give them over to a "strong delusion," and let them believe the lie which they preferred, and let them suffer for missing the Truth which they did not love. Thus they will be in the condemned host, "fighting against God," because of their lack of love for the Truth.

It is said to say that we all as Christians have been laboring under a thorough delusion respecting God's Plan. We have claimed that Christ set up His Church in Kingdom power, and that the Church has been reigning on the earth as His representative. On the strength of this delusion, Jews and heretics have been persecuted to death as opponents to Christ's Kingdom. All the while we thoughtlessly repeated the Lord's prayer, "Thy Kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth, as in Heaven." We knew that the Redeemer said that He would come again to make us His Bride and joint-heirs; but we ignored the Scriptures. We were drunk, as the Scriptures symbolically say, "all nations were drunk" with the false doctrine. It is this false doctrine that will constitute the "frog" spirit which soon will begin to croak and to prepare for Armageddon.

The Bible presentation is that the world is a section of the universe in rebellion against Divine authority, under the captaincy of Satan and his associated fallen angels. By Divine grace Jesus has already "tasted death for every man," and the merit of that sacrifice must, eventually, grant Adam and his posterity a full, fair opportunity for the attainment of everlasting life. All who thus see the Divine program and are walking in the light may know something at least respecting the "times and seasons." These brethren "are not in darkness, that that day [and that battle of Armageddon] should overtake" them "as a thief"—unawares.

**Armageddon Not Yet but Soon.**

For forty years the Armageddon forces have been mustering for both sides of the conflict. Strikes, lockouts and riots, great and small, have been merely incidental skirmishes as the belligerent parties crossed each other's paths. Court and Army scandals in Europe, Insurance, Trust and Court scandals in America, have shaken public confidence. Dynamite plots, charged by turns on employees and on employers, have further shaken confidence and tended to make each distrustful of the other. Bitter and angry feelings on both sides are more and more manifest. The lines of battle are daily becoming more distinctly marked. Nevertheless Armageddon cannot yet be fought. Other matters intervene, according to prophecy.

Gentile times have still two years to run. The "Image of the Beast" of our context must yet receive *life*—power. The Image must be transformed from a mere mechanism to a living force. Protestant Federation realizes that its organization will still be futile unless it receive vitalization—unless its clergy directly or indirectly shall be recognized as possessed of apostolic ordination and authority to teach. This the prophecy indicates will come from the two horned beast, which, we believe, symbolically represents the Church of England. High-handed activities of Protestantism and Catholicism, operating in conjunction for the suppression of human liberties, await this vivifying of the Image. This may come soon, but Armageddon cannot precede it, but must follow—perhaps a year after it, according to our view of the Prophecy.

Still another thing intervenes: Although the Jews are gradually flowing into Palestine, gradually obtaining control of the land of Canaan, and although reports say that already nineteen millionaires are there, nevertheless prophecy requires an evidently larger number of wealthy Hebrews to be there before the Armageddon crisis be reached. Indeed we understand that "Jacob's trouble" in the Holy Land will come at the very close of Armageddon. Then Messiah's Kingdom will begin to be manifested. Thenceforth Israel in the land of promise will gradually rise from the ashes of the past to the grandeur of prophecy. Through its Divinely-appointed princes Messiah's Kingdom, all-powerful but invisible, will begin to roll away the curse and to lift up mankind.

# An Upward Step

**Made by a Station Agent**

By MARK TRAVERS

James Doughty went to work in a telegraph office carrying messages when he was ten years old. When not engaged at what he was hired to do he was questioning the operators as to how they communicated with distant points, the alphabet they used and other matters pertaining to telegraphy. When he was twelve, though he would not have been fitted to fill an operator's position, he knew many things about the telegraphic system that some operators did not know, for Jimmie was of an inquiring turn of mind and was always looking into things and the reasons for their being.

When he was fourteen, being large and strong for his age, he was given a job as assistant in the construction department of a telephone company. Here, too, Jimmie wanted to know the "why and wherefore" and at the same time absorbed the practical features of making telephone lines. By the time he was eighteen years old, having the materials, he was perfectly capable of setting up a telegraph or telephone line and operating it.

The first situation of any importance Jimmie secured was that of station agent on the Y. C. and St. G. railroad. But he was only nineteen, and to secure such a place he was obliged to take a station in a desolate place, the nearest house being a mile away. At this house he took his meals, sleeping in a room over the station.

In the family with which he boarded was a country lass two or three years younger than Jimmie, whose blue eyes and yellow hair naturally had an effect on the young station agent. A single glance at her set Jimmie's heart to beating as a young man as a jackknife is to a boy. That same knife in a store among a hundred other knives is not nearly so beautiful as when he gets it home.

It wasn't long before Jimmie and Kitty concluded that it would not be half so lonely for Jimmie if they could build a little nest nearer the station, where they would dwell together. Jimmie had the framework of a small house and the other necessary parts shipped to him. The people there about got together for a house raising, and Kitty's pop, with occasional help from Jimmie, did the rest, except the painting, which Jimmie did at such times as he could leave the station.

When all was finished those who had helped to build the nest were invited to the wedding and after it was over left the young couple in their new home. The first thing Jimmie did after they were married was to build a telephone from the station to his home. He located the station end of it in the room above, which he had used for a bedroom, in order that if any one came in while he was talking with his wife he might not be overheard. There was a steep, narrow staircase leading up to this room from the waiting room, ticket and telegraph office below.

He wrote to his old employers, the telephone company, to send him the apparatus he needed, knowing that they had plenty such material in old stock, and they made him a present of an outfit, including a desk transmitter and receiver. Since there were nights that he was obliged to remain at the station he put the instrument between his cot and the side of the house. Since the latter was not plastered there was a convenient place for it between two joists and the clapboards. Often when he was about to snatch an hour's sleep he would throw himself on the cot, pick up the instrument, call Kitty for a few words, then set it down again on the floor. The wires passed directly out of the house, down behind a water spout and thence underground to Jimmie's home.

During the day, when confined to the station, he would often go upstairs, especially after the baby came, to call up Kitty and ask her how she was getting on, if she wanted anything and to send a kiss for both mother and child. One day while thus engaged a person came into the station, and since the room below was neither sealed nor plastered Jim was overheard. After that when telephoning, upon hearing a step below, he wrapped his head and the instrument in a bedquilt, which deadened the sound.

These details may seem unimportant, but a time came when they were a turning point in Jimmie's life. But that was not for some time after his marriage. Meanwhile he was thinking about his wife and baby's future. The appearance of a helpless child in a man's life stimulates him to action. Jimmie was not getting on very fast in accumulating surplus funds, and he felt the responsibilities resting upon him. He didn't like the idea in case he should die of leaving his wife with no income, and as for the baby, a boy, he wished him to have the advantage of an education. That meant the wherewithal to secure one. Since the father had not been able to get much education himself, he understood the disadvantage of being thus deprived and was all the more eager that his son should be favored.

Jim was now a man of twenty-five years. One night there were extra trains on the railroad making their way between the regular numbers, and Jim was obliged to remain at the station. He was sitting at his operating table "dispatching" when he thought he heard the station door creak, but he was too busy to pay any attention to it. The clicking of his instrument went on, drowning any light sound that might be made. Suddenly he heard a click, not of his instrument, but of an entirely different kind. It came from behind him. He turned, and there stood a masked man covering him with a revolver.

"Young man," said the intruder, "another touch on that key and I pulls on this trigger. Is the westbound express on time?"

For a few moments Jim could not find voice to reply. Then another period slipped by, during which he was thinking what he could do to save the express from robbery. In all perhaps twenty seconds passed. The man advanced a step and placed the muzzle of the revolver against the agent's cheek.

"It's twenty five minutes late," said Jim.

"What?"

Jim repeated what he had said. Had the train been on time it would have been due in ten minutes. A holdup at or near the station was undoubtedly intended and this lapse of time was not relished by the masked man. He was joined by two more men, also masked, and, having ordered the agent away from the instrument, they held a conference. Then the one who had entered first turned to Jim and was about to say something when he saw a lantern of red glass sitting beside the operating table.

"Oh, there it is," he said and, taking up the lantern, he put a lighted match to the wick. Pulling a silver watch from his pocket, he glanced at it and remarked to the others that they were obliged to wait half an hour. Then he said,

"One of you will have to take care of this young man."

"Can't we put him out of the way?" suggested one of the others. "There's only three of us to do the job, and we can't spare a man for that. Can't we lock him up somewhere?"

He then elaborated, and, seeing the stairway leading to Jim's room above, seized the lantern and ran up with it. In a few minutes he returned and told the others that there was a room on the second story to hold the operator if they could make it safe. They hunted about till he found a hammer and some nails and, returning, securely nailed the windows. Jim was put in the room and the door nailed so firmly that he could not possibly open it.

At this Jim was delighted. Not fearing to be interrupted, he seized his telephone instrument. But, hearing the men below, he paused. Had he not better wait till they had gone out? No. They would go out only to stop and rob the train, and that would be too late. Covering his head and the receiver with his bedclothing, he called Kitty.

"What is it?"

"Robbers who are going to hold up the westbound express. Take a lantern and run as fast as you can by the road—don't light the lantern—to the trestlework. The woods will screen you. Light the lantern and stop the train."

There was a quick step on the stairs, and some one stopped at the door. Those below had evidently heard sounds and had come up to see what they meant. But they had nailed up the door and couldn't get in. After listening a few minutes the man went down again.

Jim knew that his wife had time to reach the place he had indicated, where she was not likely to be observed by the robbers, for he could still hear them downstairs and, concluded that they would signal the train from the station. As the time passed and he still heard them moving about below he gathered confidence. He stood looking at his watch till it was nearly time for the train to arrive, then heard the men go out together.

There was an anxious wait for Jim, nailed up as he was, for another twenty minutes, not knowing whether Kitty or the robbers had succeeded. Then came a ring at his telephone bell.

"Is it you, Kit?" he asked.

"Yes," came the voice of one gasping for breath.

"Did you stop 'em?"

"Yes."

"Well?"

"They went back two miles to G. to get some firearms."

"What else?"

"That's all I know."

"Good for you, little girl. Our fortune is made."

"Why?"

"This train carries treasure. You have saved it. I can ask for a better position."

When Jim was let out of his prison he learned that after getting an additional supply of arms the train had come on, been signaled to stop, had obeyed the signal, and when the robbers advanced to kill the express messenger they had been received by a volley. One robber was killed outright and the two others were badly wounded.

Jim was relieved from his station and ordered to report at the general offices of the road. There he was informed that he might have his choice of several important stations. The express company sent for the woman who had signaled the train and presented her with a check for $5,000. To her husband they also gave $1,000. In the express car of the train that was to have been held up was $40,000 in currency.

James Doughty is now division superintendent of a telephone company, and his son is a student in college.

## A POSSIBLE BASEBALL FEAT.

**Pitcher Might Strike Out Fifty-four Men In One Game.**

So frequently has the question "Is it possible for a pitcher to be credited with more than three strikeouts in an inning?" been addressed to the sporting editor that an extended calculation was recently made as to the number of strikeouts a pitcher could score in a game and shut out the opposing team. This was suggested by a note that appeared reading, "What is the largest number of strikeouts with which a pitcher can be credited in any game of nine innings and at the same time score a shutout?" The answer was "Fifty-four," which answer is correct.

To this a superannuated alleged expert, a man who made himself deaf knocking others, came back to this effect:

"Since we have followed baseball we have yet to see the time when a pitcher can strike out 'fifty-four' players. Twenty-seven strikeouts are as much as 'a' pitcher can do in any game of baseball in this country. At least we have not heard of any ruling which changes the number of outs required for one inning from three to six."

Here's the explanation: It will have to be admitted that twenty-seven putouts (or all that are legally required to retire an opponent in nine innings, but that isn't the proposition. Under the scoring rules that obtain in these modern days of baseball, a pitcher is credited with a strikeout even if the catcher misses the third strike.

In other words, errors by the catcher could fill the bases, while at the same time the pitcher would be credited with a strikeout against each batter. By retiring three other batters on strikes, with the catcher squeezing the ball real hard in each instance, the pitcher would be credited with six strikeouts to the inning. Six times nine is said to make fifty-four.—New York World.

## "SONG OF THE SHIRT."

**It Was the Most Popular Thing Tom Hood Ever Wrote.**

During his last illness Tom Hood in an idle moment made an imaginative sketch of his own tombstone. He drew himself reclining at full length on a thick slab of stone, on the edge of which in large capitals he wrote, "He Sang the 'Song of the Shirt.'" This was the only inscription, and, as he himself has said, Tom Hood needs no other.

How much he felt and prided himself upon the song by which he became known and loved by millions is shown by this and the following fact: "If I were ennobled these are the arms I should adopt," said he one day, showing a rough vignette to a friend. The sketch contained a very beautiful and pathetic idea. It represented a heart pierced by a needle threaded with silver tears, and beneath was the motto he had inscribed on the imaginary tombstone.

"The Song of the Shirt" appeared in the Christmas number of the fifth volume of Punch. It was unsigned, but every paper in the land quoted it, and it speedily became the talk of the day. Hood himself did not think it very remarkable, but Mrs. Hood had said to him as she folded it for press: "Now, mind, Hood, mark my words, this will tell wonderfully. It is one of the best things you ever did."

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90 Boy's dress suits, size 10 to 17, pure English worsted fine tailored with Knickerbocker trousers, new shades also blue and black worth from $7 to $9 for ..... 4.35
1 lot of boy's suits, size 8 to 16 in all shades light and dark colors regular price from $3 to $3.35 will sell at ..... 1.23
50 Child's suits size 4 to 8 new style made pure wool and and worsted with bloomers, regular price $3 to $4 will sell at ..... 1.35
75 Child's suits, finest all worsted goods made very dressy with bloomers, all new shades, suits worth from $4.50 to $6 will sell at ..... 2.55
35 Child's suits in all colors, heavy winter weight, very fine made, size 3 to 8, regular price from $3.50 to $4 will sell at ..... 1.19

### MEN'S YOUTH'S AND BOY'S PANTS

300 pair men's pants, heavy cotton worsted, fancy stripe, seasonable colors, prices were $1 to $1.25 will sell at.... .73
250 pairs pants fancy worsted well made, guaranteed to wear, a medium dress pants, regular price $2, will sell at 1.10
200 pairs men's pants, heavy woll, medium weight wool, latest seasonable patterns regular price $1.75 to $2.25 will sell at ..... 1.39
150 pairs men's pants, heavy Cashmere, the goods are made right in the mill and made up in pants, regular $2.50 and $3 pants, will sell at ..... 1.68
90 pairs men's heavy, all wool, lumbermen's pants, all wool Kersey, sheep's gray. Regular price $2.50 and $3 for ..... 1.86
100 pairs men's pants fine worsted for dress occasions, fancy stripes, all colors, regular price $3 and $3.50, will sell at ..... 1.87
120 pairs men's pants, pure worsted, hand tailored, the latest fashion made, a fine dress pants, regular price $4 to $5 for ..... 2.58
175 pairs men's fine dress pants, pure English worsted, black, blue and fancy stripes, latest fashions, regular price $6 to $7 for ..... 3.65
50 pairs men's corduroy pants, very strong made regular price $2.20, at this sale only ..... 1.33
75 pairs men's corduroy pants in dark and colors, made with side buckles and cuffs on the bottom, regular $3 and $3.50, will sell at ..... 1.93
90 pairs young men's pants size 29 to 32 in fancy stripes very dressy pants, regular price $2.25 to $2.50 will sell at ..... 1.33
100 pairs boy's knee pants, bloomers, blue and dark, mixture, regular price 50c, will sell at ..... .23
150 pairs boy's Knickerbocker knee pants, heavy cheviot and mixed gray, regular price 75c, will sell at ..... .43
100 pairs boy's Knickerbocker knee pants in blue, and brown stripes, regular price 90c will sell at ..... 53
75 pairs boy's Knickerbocker pants, all wool blue serge and fancy mixture, very well made. Regular price $1.25 will sell at ..... .93
75 pairs boy's Corduroy Knickerbocker pants, guaranteed not to rip, regular price $1 at this sale ..... .73

### MEN'S WORKING COATS, CORDUROY COATS AND SHEEP SKIN COATS

35 Men's working coats in heavy rainproof with flannel lining inside, with big Corduroy collars, regular $2.75 at this sale only ..... 1.73
30 Men's heavy corduroy coats with flannel lining, big storm collar, regular $4 at this sale only ..... 2.23
20 Men's sheep skin lining coats with duck outside with big fur collars regular $6 coats at ..... 3.83
25 Men's sheep skin lining coats in heavy corduroy outside, big fur collar, regular $7 coat at this sale only .... 4.93

### MEN'S AND BOY'S FURNISHINGS

16 dozen men's coat sweaters in dark Oxford, heavy winter weight, regular $1 goods at this sale ..... .46
15 dozen men's coat sweaters with storm collars in grey and brown, very heavy, regular price $1.35 at this sale only ..... .63
20 dozen men's sweaters, all wool, heavy grade, in all colors, regular price $2.50 and $3, will sell at ..... 1.25
25 dozen men's coat sweaters with big storm collars, pure fine wool in assorted colors, extra fine, regular price $3.50 to $4 will sell at ..... 1.93
12 dozen men's heavy knit outside shirts, plain blue and brown, extra well made, regular price 75c, will sell at.. .43
10 dozen men's gray flannel outside shirts with the golf collars, regular price 65c, will sell at ..... .45
15 dozen men's all wool fine flannel shirts in all colors, very well made, regular $1.25 to $1.50 will sell at..... .89
13 dozen men's flannel shirts, pure wool, extra quality flannel, dress shirts, all colors, regular price $1.75 to $2 at ..... 1.62
16 dozen men's fine twilled flannel shirts, pure woll, extra tailored, made in all colors, regular price $2.50 to $3 at. 1.68
8 dozen men's heavy rich flannel lumbermen's shirts, all colors, strictly all wool, regular price $2.25 to $2.75 at.. 1.58
4 dozen boy's coat sweaters in Oxford, heavy winter weight, well finished, regular price 75c at this sale only .43
50 dozen men's fine dress shirts, soft and plaited fronts with attached cuffs, all new shades, regular price 75c only ..... .39
25 dozen men's extra fine dress shirts with attached cuff, very fine quality, latest Fall style, regular $1.50 shirts at .89
50 dozen men's working shirts in blue cambric and in black and white stripes, size 14½ to 15, regular 50c goods at this sale only ..... .33
75 dozen men's fine dress shirts without collars, all in the latest shades and designs, regular from 50c to 75c goods at this sale only ..... .33
90 dozen men's fleece lined drawers and shirts in Jaeger and gray, extra heavy sanitary fleece, regular price 50c at ..... .38
75 dozen men's shirts and drawers, 75 per cent. wool, heavy ribbed gray, extra quality, regular price $1 for .53
36 dozen men's shirts and drawers in balbriggan color and in blue, regular 50c goods at this sale only ..... .38
45 dozen men's shirts and drawers in natural wool, regular $1 at this sale only, per garment ..... .73
20 dozen men's union suits in ribbed and in heavy fleece, very fine finished and heavy winter weight, regular price $1.35 at ..... .89
50 dozen men's shirts and drawers pure wool ribbed and plain extra fine quality, regular price $1.35 will sell at .89
25 dozen boy's shirts and drawers, in heavy fleece lined, size 26 to 34, regular 40c goods at this sale only ..... .23
50 dozen men's all wool socks, black, gray, tan, and blue, regular 25c goods will sell at (per pair) ..... .16
46 dozen men's all wool socks, extra heavy and fine grade Oxford, extra fine quality, regular price 35c at ..... .21
35 dozen men's fine pure wool cashmere hose, black and regular price 35c for 19c., or 3 pairs for ..... .50
60 dozen men's heavy lumbermen's all wool "Rich" socks made of pure home spun wool, all colors, regular price 50c, will sell at ..... .38
75 dozen men's fine hose, black and gray, extra good value Sea Island cotton, regular price 15c, sell 3 pairs for.. .25
16 dozen men's home made fringe mittens, made of home spun wool, regular price $1.35, will sell at ..... .98
20 dozen men's fine kid and Mocha gloves, in tan, gray and brown, fine wool lining, regular price 75c, sell at.. .40
16 dozen men's fine dress gloves, extra quality French kid Mocha, wool lined, regular price $1.50 will sell at .... .93
36 dozen men's driving and work mittens, genuine horse hide with knitted wool lining, regular price 60c at .. .42
15 dozen men's al wool mittens double knit, regular price price 60c will sell at ..... .42
150 dozen men's fine neckties, a full line of every style pure silk all the latest shades, regular price 25c at .. .19
100 dozen men's fine neckties, heavy quality pure silk in every syle all the latest fashions, regular 50c ties for.. .33
300 dozen men's collars, made of pure four-ply linen best standard brand, regular price 15c, for ..... .09

### OVERALLS, WORKING JACKETS—PEA JACKETS

500 pairs overalls and 400 jackets, heavy, best quality, with and without bib, regular 65c goods at this sale only .43
300 pairs overalls and 200 jackets, the heaviest overalls that are in the market, regular railroaders, regular 90c goods at this sale only ..... .68
25 men's pea jackets, regular Irish freeny goods with flannel lining and with big storm collars, regular $7 coat at this sale only ..... 4.53

### Men's, Ladies', Boys', Misses' and Children's SHOES

50 pairs men's satin calf and blucher cuts in tips or in plain toe regular price from $2 to $2.50 at this sale only 1.33
150 pairs men's shoes in satin calf and in box calf in bluche,r cut strictly all solid leather, regular price $3, at this sale only ..... 1.68
200 pairs men's shoes with broad toes, tipes in black and in tan, guaranteed to be all sold regular $3.50 shoes at this sale only ..... 2.23
500 pairs men's fine dress shoes in vici and velour calf and inbox calf up to date, regular price $3.25 and $3.50 at this sale only ..... 1.95
700 pairs men's shoes in button and lace, good years welt in velour calf, in gun metal and in patent leather and in tan, regular price $3.25 and $4, only .....
200 pairs men's very fine dress shoes in lace or button and vici or in gun metal. The finest shoe that is in the market, regular price $4 at this sale only .....
200 pairs men's high cut shoes, 12 and 14 and 16 inches high, in black or in tan, with counter outside or inside regular price from $5 to $7, at this sale only ... 4.23 &
90 pairs boy's shoes, size 3 to 5½, in box calf, all solid leather, regular price from $2.25 to $2.50, at this sale..
75 pairs boy's fine dress shoes i nbutton or in lace in gun metal or tan, regular price $3.25 to $3.50 at this sale ..
75 pairs boy's high cut shoes in tan regular for fall wear all solid with double soles, regular price from $3.50 to $4.25, only .....
500 pairs youth's shoes, regular school shoes in button or lace all up to date, regular price from $2 to $2.50 at this sale only .....
600 pairs boy's and youth's shoes, in satin calf or in box calf, all solid, regular price is from $1.90 to $2.50 will sell at .....
90 pairs ladies' shoe in lace, regular price $2 and $2.75 at this only (per pair) .....
195 pairs ladies' fine dress shoes in vici, gun metal and in button and in lace, regular price $2.50 at this sale only
350 pairs ladies' fine dress shoes in gun metal, vici, patent, button or lace, regular price $3.25 only .....
90 pairs ladies' fine dress shoes in gun metal, vici, lace and button, regular price $3.50, at this sale .....
500 pairs ladies' oxford, in tan, vici, patent and in gun metal, regular price $2.50 and $3 at this sale only.....
200 pairs misses' shoes in box calf, gun metal, and in vici button, or in lace, regular price from $1.65 to $2 at this sale only .....
300 pairs misses' fine dress shoes in button and lace with cloth top or in solid leather, regular price from $2.25 to $2.50, at this sale only .....
200 pairs misses' shoes in high cut, 16 buttons, in tan or gun metal, regular price from $3 to $3.50, at this sale only .....
500 pairs children's shoes, lace or in button, gun metal or vici, regular price $1.50 to $1.75, at this sale only ....
600 pairs children's dress shoes, in tan, red or black, button and lace, regular $1 to $1.25, at this sale will go at .....63 &
1 lot of children's and misses' shoes, about 600 pairs, regular price from $1 to $1.75, will sell at .....

### Men's, Ladies', Boy's, Misses', and Children's Rubber Footw

50 pairs men's Storm King boots, the best regular price $5.75, at this sale only .....
90 pairs men's short boots, best quality, regular price $4.50 to $5, at this sale only .....
125 pairs ball baud, coon tail boots, regular price $3.75, at this sale only .....
90 pairs men's 4 buckle arctics, the best regular price $3 50, at this sale .....
200 pairs men's one buckle arctics, the best regular price $1.75, at this sale only .....
250 pairs men's low arctics, regular price is $1.55, at this sale only .....
250 pairs men's rubbers, first class heavy roll hedge, soles and heels, regular price $1.20, at this sale only .....
300 pairs men's rubbers, first class, regular price $1.10, at this sale only .....
35 pairs boy's rubber boots very heavy, regular price $3.25, at this sale only .....
90 pairs boy's rubbers and heavy roll hedge, soles and heels, regular $1 goods, at this sale only .....
150 pairs youth's rubbers, first quality, regular price 90c at this sale only (per pair) .....
300 pairs ladies' rubbers, regular 75c rubbers, at this sale only .....
200 pairs ladies' rubbers, Cuban heels, regular price 85c will sell at this sale for .....
100 pairs ladies' low arctics, regular price $1.35, at this sale only .....
75 pairs ladies' two buckles arctics, first class rubber, regular price $2, at this sale only .....
75 pairs ladies' one buckles arctics, regular price $1.45, at this sale only .....
300 pairs misses' rubbers, regular price 60c, at this sale only .....
75 pairs misses's rubbers with heavy rolled hedge,, sole and heel, regular price 75c, at this sale only .....
5 0pairs misses' two buckle arctics, regular price $1.75, at this sale only .....
250 pairs children's rubbers regular price 45c at this sale only .....
50 pairs children's one buckle arctics, price $1, at this sale only .....
One lot of misses' and children's rubbers, in storm and plain, regular price 60c to 45c, we are going to clean them all out for .....

### HATS AND CAPS

5 dozen men's black stiff hats, the latest fall and winter styles, extra good quality, regular price $2.50 for ..... 1.3
9 dozen men's black stiff hats, made of pure beaver, latest fall and winter styles, regular price $3 for ..... 1.9
20 dozen men's soft hats, made of genuine fur felt, in black and in all colors, regular price $2.50, will sell at.. 1.2
15 dozen men's soft hats, made of imported fur felt, latest fall and winter styles, in all colors, regular price $3 for .....
10 dozen men's heavy winter caps, all new styles, assorted colors regular 50c goods, wli sel lat .....
20 dozen men's caps and heavy English wool, Kersey, with fur lined ear protectors, very dressy and warm, regular 75c cap, will sell at .....
3 dozen men's fur caps, very dressy, in style, regular $2.50 caps, at this sale only .....
60 dozen men's suspenders, regular price 35c at this sale
25 dozen men's suspenders, regular price 30c at this sale
Suit cases, bags, trunks, valises, will go at 40 per cent. less than the regular price.

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